

EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE IS HEAVY PLAN NEW STATE GOVERNMENT

MANY TOWNS IN JAPAN WRECKED BY NEW QUAKE

Extensive Damage Is Reported in Tokio and Yokahomo and Other Cities in Wake of Tremor, Where Many Houses Are Shaken Down and Others Damaged—Second Great Earthquake Disaster in Five Months

Loss of Life Is Not Apparently Heavy.

(By The Associated Press) SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.—Extensive damage including destruction of houses at Numadzu and interruption of all communication in the vicinity of Tokio and Yokahomo, has followed in the wake of a heavy earthquake which occurred this morning, according to advices received from the affected district by the Nihon Dempo, a Japanese press association here.

The report states that the emperor and the empress are safe at Numadzu, despite widespread destruction in that city, in which houses are said to have been shaken down.

The imperial villa, located at Numadzu, was not damaged, however, the reports state.

The area of greatest damage is said to have been between the towns of Gotembo, which is about 80 miles southwest of Tokio, and Kooto, and southward in the vicinity of Hakone, according to reports received over a single railway line kept in operation by the Koku Railway, bureau between Tokio and Honshu.

Slight damage was suffered by the districts between Tokio and Kooto, advices from this source stated. The quake was felt at Nagoya and 200 miles southwest of Tokio in the province of Owari and in Shizuoka, in Suruga province, along Suruga Bay.

The Meteorological observatory at Osaka announced after the quake that the width of oscillations recorded on the seismograph by the earth shocks was 25-35 millimeters. The quake lasted 14 minutes. The seismological center apparently was off the Kishu coast, it was stated.

The Eastern News Agency has received reports that the damage to Tokio was not extensive but that it was severe in the Kwanto district and east of Hakone, in Suruga province, where telephone, telegraph and train service was stopped by the earth shocks.

Advices received by the Nihon Dempo at six o'clock this morning from Osaka stated that there was no sign of any outbreak of fire at Tokio. A report from Takao, a city near Tokio, however, stated that telephone services at the capital had been suspended and the street railway lines put out of commission. The water system, although crippled, was being operated at that time, it was said.

Clement's Boosters Busy at Richmond; Danville to Act

(Associated Press Leased Wire) JONESBORO, Ark. Jan. 15.—Judge Jacob Triebre today instructed a jury in United States District court to return a verdict of not guilty in the case of Dr. Mary E. Lecocq, practitioner of the Abrams method of diagnosis who had been charged with the mail to defraud. Instructions for the verdict of acquittal were given after the introduction of testimony by the defense which Judge Triebre had proved that Dr. Lecocq had acted in good faith.

MASS MEETING CALLED FOR WENTWORTH FEBRUARY 4TH.

(Special to The Bee) WENTWORTH, N. C., Jan. 15.—The citizens committee which was appointed to devise means of preventing the building of the Fishing Creek bridge, contract for which has already been let, has called a mass meeting of the people of Rockingham county to be held at Wentworth, N. C., on Monday February 4th, at which time further steps towards the attainment of the object of the committee will be discussed.

THOUSANDS EAT THEIR
MEALS IN THE STREETS

(Associated Press Leased Wire) TOKIO, Jan. 15.—The earthquake which rocked Tokio and vicinity since morning, the first heavy tremor since

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Banking Concern
Is Closed Down

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 15.—The Holland Banking Company of Springfield, Missouri, with total resources of \$7,000,000, has been closed by action of the board of directors, according to word received by the state finance department today.

COUNCIL SEEKS POWER
TO INCREASE TAX RATE
AND TO ELECT TALBOTT

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

A legislative fight on the merits or demerits of the amended city charter, conducted from Danville, was in prospect today with the development of sentiment both in favor of its adoption and against it. One substantial element in the city with progressive tendencies and which has "backed up" the council in its actions of recent months and which sponsors wider latitude of power, is described as favorable to the charter's passage, will be found militarily supporting the movement for its adoption. On the other side will be found an element already reported to be organized for the fight, which, it is claimed, they foresee, and will seek to bring pressure on the legislative representatives at Richmond for the elimination of such features of the new charter that they consider do not represent the will of the majority.

Every amendment written into the charter—apart from those only incorporated by the charter revision committee—was adopted with discussion centering only on the tax rate provision. The net result of the council's action was that it accepted every amendment written by the revisers with the exception of that bearing on council bonds, added a few to the council's liking and adopted the charter, recently revised by the charter commission was presented. The

MUSCLE SHOALS PLAN TAKEN UP BY COMMITTEE

BATTLE IN HOUSE OVER RE- VISION OF RULES CONTINUES —VARIOUS MEASURES COME UP.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—While the battle over revision of its rules continued on the floor of the house today another vigorously disputed subject—disposal of the government's Muscle Shoals project—was taken by the military affairs committee. The senate, meanwhile with most of its work still in the committee stage of developments, had time for almost anything.

The House resumed where it left off yesterday what was developing into a bitter debate over the rules committee's recommendation that 150 signatures be required on petitions for discharge of committees from consideration of legislation, as compared with the demand of democrats and republican insurgents that the number be cut to 100 at most.

Victorians in their first coalition of the session against organization republicans yesterday, when by a vote of 205 to 177, forced repeal of the Underwood rule restricting the offering of amendments to revenue and tariff bills, the democratic-insurgent forces went into today's session determined to compel a show-down on the rule for discharging committees before adjournment and other changes they advocate.

The Senate and House Agriculture Committees continued their work on farm relief legislation and the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee was called together for its session by Chairman Smith to consider recommendations to fill the interstate commerce commission and the railroad labor vacancies. Railroad legislation which was back of the fight which resulted in the defeat of Senator Cummings, Republican, Iowa, and Senator Smith, a Democrat, to the chairmanship of the committee is to be voted upon later until

The House Ways and Means Committee pressed forward in its hearing on tax reduction proposals and the foreign affairs committee of the chamber continued its study of the Rogers bill providing for reorganization of the diplomatic consular service. Senator Borah, meanwhile, is awaiting only a sign of readiness from the State and Justice departments to assemble his substitute committee for hearings on his resolution proposing recognition of the Russian Soviet government and a number of other hearings also are in immediate prospect.

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Agreement was reached on bond of

\$1,500 for Clarence Mahaffey, a young loom fixer of Schoolfield charged with a felonious attack on J. T. Ingram several months ago. Commonwealth's Attorney Poste J. Hundley who appeared in that capacity for the first time at Schoolfield today consented to the bond. Mahaffey was remanded to jail this afternoon but it was stated that bondsmen would come forward during the day and that he would be released. Tom has been removed from the hospital to his home on Pelham avenue apparently recovered from the effects of a fractured skull. To date he has been set for a preliminary hearing and it is possible the case will be placed before the Pittsylvania grand jury on its merits when it meets on Monday morning at Chatham.

London Campbell and Ed Bryant both charged with violating the state liquor law were held for the action of the grand jury of the Pennsylvania circuit court which sits next Monday at a preliminary hearing held before Magistrate R. S. Pitts this morning.

Exports Greater
Than Since 1921

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Exports from the United States during December amounted to \$425,000,000 and were greater than those of any month since January 1921. They compare with imports of \$285,000,000 leaving a commodity trade balance in favor of this country of \$140,000,000 for the month.

Begin Hearings
On Sugar Duties

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The internal fight of the tariff commission came out into the open at the beginning today of the public hearings on sugar duties.

Three members, Vice Chairman Culbertson and Commissioners Costello and Lewis challenged participation by Commissioner Glessie in disposition of the questions involved.

Included in the report was an amendment that the office of superintendent of public utilities be filled by a city council instead of by the people in order that the officer may directly answerable to the council and not the people.

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TOWN TOPICS

A. D. Keen made a final accounting with the State Tuberculosis Association of the sale of Christmas Seals in Danville. Last night he forwarded to Richmond a check for \$846 which represented the net sale of the tokens in Danville. He expects to receive almost immediately a check for \$538 or 75 per cent of the total raised here which will be devoted to the fresh milk fund for undernourished children. This check will be made payable to John B. Harvie of the Hilltop organization and will be applied by him for the purpose set forth. The sale in Danville was energetically promoted by Mr. Keen who noted a good deal of time to the undertaking. The campaign cost \$45, \$22.50 being given in prizes to schoolchildren and \$23 being expended in printing and postage.

The Community Welfare Association's force of workers is greatly reduced today owing to the illness of three of the attaches. Miss Margaret Maxon, executive secretary, is at home with a bad cold. Miss Annie Redder Carter is confined to her home on Chestnut street with bronchitis and Miss Mary Harvey is confined to her home with an attack of diphtheria. Miss Honie Yeatts and Miss Katie Green Guerrant are "carrying on" in the meantime.

Intuition that something was wrong balked an unidentified white man from cashing a check alleged to have been raised, at the Commercial Bank yesterday. The man appeared at the window and presented Teller Harry Brewer with a check for \$326.31 signed with a rubber stamp "Brown Electric Company" and bearing the signature of John Brown. Mr. Brewer observed that while the body of the check was written in black ink the signature of Mr. Brown was in blue ink. The man was told to wait while telephonic enquiries were made and Mr. Brown in response to the call said he knew nothing of such a check which was made payable to bearer. The stranger said he would go and see Mr. Brown and disappeared. He has not been seen since. Mr. Brown believes the check was one made made able to an Atlanta concern for \$30.91 and in some way fell into the strangers' hands. The theory is that some chemical was used in defacing all of the writing on the check with the exception of the signature, a new check for a larger amount being written.

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The resignation of Major Claude N. Pucker, of Danville hospital company 110, Virginia national guard, will be accepted as soon as the proper transfers can be effected, it was learned today. Major Pucker is resigning because he is leaving the State. Captain C. L. Biley will be placed in command of the company.

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To Recall Troops
From Williamson

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

ARLINGTON, Ills., Jan. 15.—The first bit of evidence leading to support the confession of Warren J. Lincoln, lawyer and horticulturist, that he killed his wife and cremated the body together with that of her brother, Byron Shoup, a year ago, was in the hands of Chief of Detectives Otto Wirs today. It was a gold watch taken from the Fox river here last summer by two school boys swimming across the Main street bridge, from which Lincoln said in his confession he threw Shoup's watch after burning the bodies.

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A more uniform system of accounts, a frequent audit of the books of city and county treasurers and the placing of the duty of collecting gas taxes and automobile license fees under the auditor rather than under the secretary of the commonwealth, as at present, also were suggested.

After an extensive outline of educational conditions, the commission recommended a complete revision of the state board of education, the abolition of elective offices of superintendents and principals, and a state purchasing agent, and an active personnel advisory commission with a capable director.

In reorganizing the tax board, the commission would have only one ex-officio member, the auditor of public accounts, and two other members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate. The term would be for six years, except that the first appointments would be for terms of three years and six years, respectively.

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Miss Mary I. Doolan for the past several months superintendent of the Danville General hospital and regarded by the medical staff as one of the most efficient from a professional standpoint left Danville on the 5 o'clock train this morning for Philadelphia.

Her resignation was accepted by the board at last night's meeting of the recently developed situation was gone now. Miss Doolan returned to the board after three weeks of the best method of running a hospital and recounted some of the difficulties she experienced.

At the meeting it was decided to hire a new superintendent of the hospital and that the new person would be Dr. G. W. Miller, M. D.

Miss Doolan's resignation was accepted and she left the board warmly as her husband.

Miss Jean Forrest, assistant superintendent and who has several times had full charge of the institution, including the appointment of a new superintendent is again in that role.

Miss Doolan's departure was

"Executive Committee."

It had been known for some time

that Miss Doolan contemplated re

turning from the superintendence of

the hospital when better opportunities

and more opportunities in the execu

tive branch of the institution in its var

ious phases had been established

having been employed largely with

a view to the attainment of these re

lationships.

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DEMOCRATS TO CHOOSE SCENE OF MEET TODAY

Selection Is Between New York, Chicago, San Francisco and St. Louis.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The lucky number

Would Combine Agencies Into 12 Departments

(Continued from page one) required to be a well-trained educational administrator.

Under the board and this commission would be the division of state library, division of normal schools, and the division of special schools, each with its own board. The boards of visitors for the University of Virginia, the college of William and Mary, the Virginia Military Institute, the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the Medical College of Virginia, each should be composed of seven members with terms of seven years, one expiring each year. The state board of motion picture censors also would be under the department of education.

The board of education, now composed of eight members, would be changed so as to have only seven members, each to be appointed by the governor, one to be appointed each year, for a seven year term.

For the department of public welfare, the commission recommended a State board of public welfare, with a State commissioner as its administrative officer which would administer the five State reform schools, a division of child care and child placing, a division of mental hygiene and a division of county organization.

State prison board should be substituted for the board of directors of the penitentiary and the road force convicts placed under its control, the report said. A board to direct the State hospitals for the insane should also be established and classified with the public welfare department, it was stated. District prison farms for misdemeanants also were recommended, in place of the local jail system now in effect.

A commissioner of health as head of the department of public health was recommended with the board of health serving in an advisory capacity, its functions being limited to general legislative and judicial supervision. Under the commission and the board would be the divisions of vital statistics, rural sanitation, child welfare, tuberculosis, education, tuberculosis hospitals, malaria control and social hygiene.

Legislation which would empower the department to require a county, or corporation, to employ a sanitary officer or public health nurse, if the board should deem it advisable, was suggested.

A similar organization for the department of agriculture was proposed. The commissioner would serve as administrator. No change in the method of electing the commissioner was recommended but a definition of his powers as they relate to those of the board was suggested. The division of markets and the division of dairy and foods would be placed under the commissioner and the board.

The Virginia agricultural experiment station, the Virginia truck experiment station and the Eastern Shore station, the State Board of Crop Pest commissioners and the State Livestock Sanitary Board, all were classified with the agricultural department.

The State Corporation Commission, composed of three members, should direct the department of corporation control, the commission said. Among the divisions of this department would be those of insurance, banking, legal securities, engineering and assessment of public utility rates. The commission further recommended that the act of 1915, providing for the election of members of the commission by popular vote be repealed and that the appointment of three members by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate as before, be restored.

The department of labor and industry should be controlled by a labor and industrial commission, according to the plan. Under this commission, composed of three members, would come divisions of industrial information and statistics, factory and mine inspection, woman and child labor, workmen's compensation and vocational rehabilitation.

Under the department of conservation, the commission suggested that a commissioner of conservation, aided by a board of conservators, administer a division of commercial fisheries, of game and inland fisheries, of geology, of forestry and of public property. The varied resources of the state and the unusual historic assets make this department most essential, the commission said.

In its recommendations regarding the highway department, the commission asked for the abolition of the office of state highway commissioner. The organization plan would provide for a highway commission with a chairman who would be the executive head of the department; the placing of highway funds within the budget and means by which the counties can be encouraged to purchase supplies through the purchasing agent of the highway commission. The Stamp Roads Port Commission was clas-

sified with the highway department. The commission would include in the department of law, the attorney general, the director of the legislative reference bureau, and the board to promote uniform legislation throughout the United States.

The department of military affairs would be under the adjutant general's office.

The commission further recommended that the duties of the registrar of the land office and the superintendent of grounds be transferred to the secretary of the Commonwealth and that the duties of the superintendent of weights and measures be transferred to the department of agriculture.

William B. Cocke, in a supplemental statement to the report, said he could not concur in the proposed change in the constitution, which distributes the school funds on a three-fold basis: One third on a basis of the aggregate days attendance, one-third on the basis of the number of full time teachers employed in the county or city during the preceding year and one-third on a basis of effort and need of the county or city.

Mr. Cocke, who resides at Stony Creek, said he could not concur for the reason that the entire school population of the state is made up of children of the Commonwealth who are not responsible for their place of residence and to whom the state owes the duty of providing equal opportunity whether they reside in the counties or cities of the state.

"The law provides for compulsory school attendance," he added, "and therefore, this question ought not to have been considered."

Senator Holman Willis, of Roanoke, declined to sign the report.

"From my knowledge of the state's affairs, gathered over a period of ten years in the general assembly," he said, "I know that many matters treated in the report are treated from one viewpoint only and that there are reasons for some existing practices and institutions which might outweigh the reasons for changes advanced by the commission."

Senator Julian Gunz, Henrico, is chairman of the commission. Other members are: Marvin Smith, Lawrenceville, and Edwin E. Jones, Norfolk, from the 102nd house of delegates, and the following appointees by the governor: Dr. Julian Burrus, Blacksburg; Miss Adele Clark, Richmond; Dr. John Garland Pollard, Williamsburg, and Prof. R. H. Tucker, Lexington.

Good Morning Judge!

Harvey Gentry, colored, was this morning held for the grand jury after a hearing in the Police court on a charge of murdering Fletcher Seals, colored, who is also alleged to have shot the defendant during a fight resulting, it is said from Gentry visiting the latter's wife. Seals died at Providence hospital as result of a stab over the heart. The testimony at the hearing was virtually the same as that brought out at the coroner's inquest, the account of which was given in this paper.

J. H. Nanzetta was assessed \$100 and costs on a charge of engaging in business without a license. An appeal was noted.

A warrant charging Eddie Moseley, colored, with blocking traffic was dismissed at costs.

George W. Malley was fined \$11 and costs for speeding.

L. E. Johnson charged with violating the Mapp act has been turned over to the county authorities, in whose possession the alleged violation occurred.

Lance Wemple was not present to answer a charge of speeding.

Robert Goodson drew a fine of \$16 and costs for creating a disturbance while a warrant charging recklessness was dismissed.

John Hudgins was not present to answer a charge of obstructing traffic.

The REFEREE

BY ALBERT APPLE

TATTY

Luigi Tatta, applying for naturalization papers, is asked "Who makes the laws of the United States?" He answers, "George Washington!" So the judge tells him to study history and call again.

Everybody in the courtroom rared to laugh. But Tatta wasn't so far from the truth, at that. Our laws are not made by George Washington, but they are in large part made by George's associates who framed the constitution of the United States. Their "dead hand," reaching out from the grave, governs us the same as Congress, state legislatures and city councils. All these are little more than fingers of the "dead hand."

ATHLETES

Athletes live much longer than other people, according to an insurance company's checkup of Harvard stars who "won their letters" '23 or more years ago.

Physical exercise, fresh air and proper diet are the keys to long life. They can be overdone. The one exception in Harvard athletics was football, whose players die at almost exactly the same average age as the average American. Probably over-exertion counters their original advantage—super-strong bodies. Baseball players live longer than any other athletes.

CHURCH

American churches in 1923 received \$50 million dollars from their congregations. That was about 10 cents a week for every man, woman and child in the nation. Mighty small for a prosperous country.

Americans spent a total of \$30 billion dollars last year. One dollar in

BALDWIN CATERS TO LABOR IN ADDRESS DELIVERED BY KING

Minister Faces Situation Confronting Him Squarely—Indicates Abandonment of Tariff Proposals

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The much mooted question of how the Baldwin government, in view of its overwhelming defeat in the recent election on the protective issue, would handle that subject in the King's speech at the opening of the new parliament, was settled today when the monarch, reading his ministers' pronouncement, candidly referred to the country's rejection of the tariff proposals and indicated his abandonment by the government.

Mr. Baldwin thus faced the situation squarely in what is generally regarded as his swan song, as the political experts see nothing but defeat for him in the forthcoming vote of confidence.

On analysis this swan song proved, in the opinion of expert observers, to be a shrewd and clever effort to spike as far as possible, the gun of labor, which is expected to assume power soon. A large part of the speech was devoted to a discussion of bills which the Baldwin government would submit for the benefit of the working classes, were it permitted to remain in power.

The speech furnished one of the most extensive lists of proposed measures favorable to labor that was ever placed in a king's message. In fact the labor party itself could hardly have issued a more striking pronouncement.

The plans cited included proposals for the betterment of industrial conditions; provisions for the much-needed houses for workers; amelioration of unemployment and the readjustment of old age pensions.

It was not that the conservatives felt such a program would deter the fall of the government's downfall, but rather that it would put them in the position of saying later: "The conservatives would have given the people all that labor now proposes."

Mr. Baldwin, say the experts, was undoubtedly looking ahead to the next election when he framed the king's speech. The text of the speech follows:

"My Lords and Members of the commons:

"My relations with foreign powers continue to be friendly. I am glad to be able to record definite progress in the solution of questions which hitherto have blocked the pathway of mutual understanding and retarded the recovery of the world."

"The reparations commission has set up two committees on which experts from the United States of America will co-operate with others from Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium in examining the very serious financial questions involved in the position of Germany."

"The future status of the tangier zone of Morocco, which has long been an outstanding source of trouble, has been the subject of an agreement between the delegates of the powers principally concerned, which provides for the creation of an international regime and for the promotion of communications and trade."

"A bill will be introduced giving effect to the Lausanne treaty with Tur-

Re-Organization of Tax Board Is Also Suggested

(Continued From Page One, party by the standard fixed by the board.)

Counties and cities would have the right of appearing before the board fixed the assessment passage. The commission also would have records compiled so that it might have them available for study.

The commission further provides that during the year 1926 and every fifth year thereafter, any circuit court or corporation court judge upon the receipt of a petition of five or more tax payers in any county or city complaining of the inequality of assessments of real estate therein shall appoint three commissioners of equalization to sit for a period of not more than 90 days to correct any inequality that may exist, provided that the aggregate assessed value of the particular real estate in the county or city is not reduced below the

percentage fixed by the tax board.

Recommendation that the state corporation commission shall assess the real estate and tangible personal property of the public service corporation so as to bring about equalization of public utility corporation property and other property assessed in the state also was made by the commission.

Wilbur C. Hall, Loudoun, offered a bill in the house today to add a new route to the Robert E. Lee Highway. The new route would extend from Winchester to Berryville (Castlem), Pease bridge, Bluemont, Purcellville, Leesburg, Tyson's Corner and Washington, D. C.

County traffic police forces would be established in Virginia under provisions of a measure introduced by delegate L. W. Graves, Orange and Madison. The measure provides the circuit court judge of each county shall appoint a force of not more than five men to enforce laws relating to motor vehicles in such sections of the county not embraced in the incorporated towns.

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ed to furnish \$500 bond before taking office.

Mr. Graves also is sponsoring a bill designed to make the same and fix laws the same in every county.

When Politeness Pays

LONDON—London's "gentleman burglar" will have a bank account when he's released from prison six years hence. Just after he was sentenced, magistrates and constables made a little deposit to his credit. He had pleaded he'd never been given a chance to redeem himself after he was first sentenced on a minor charge while in his teens. The man, booked under an alias, is the son of an army officer. Before leaving the courtroom, he thanked constables and jailers for the courteous treatment they accorded him after his arrest. He had confessed to entering 19 homes.

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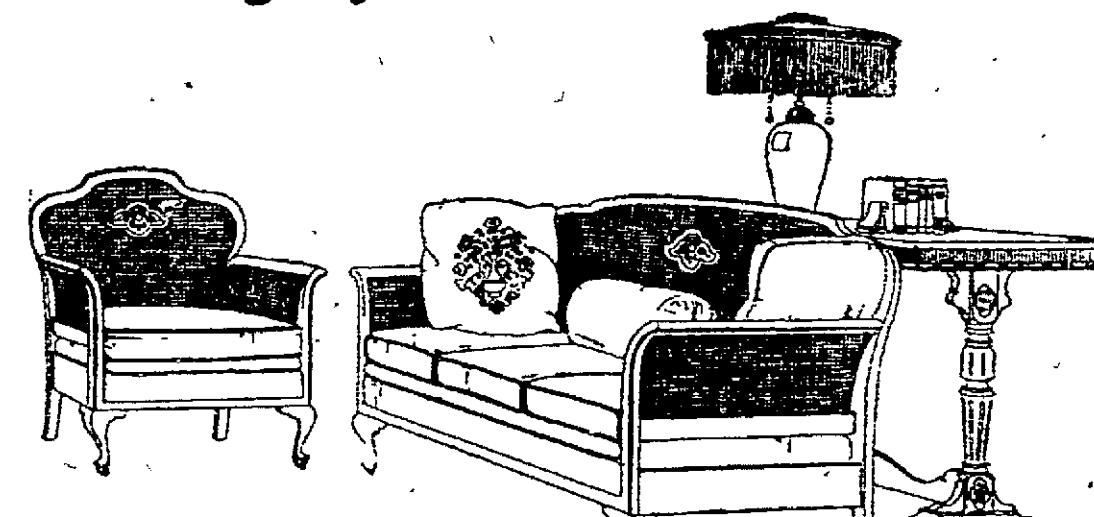
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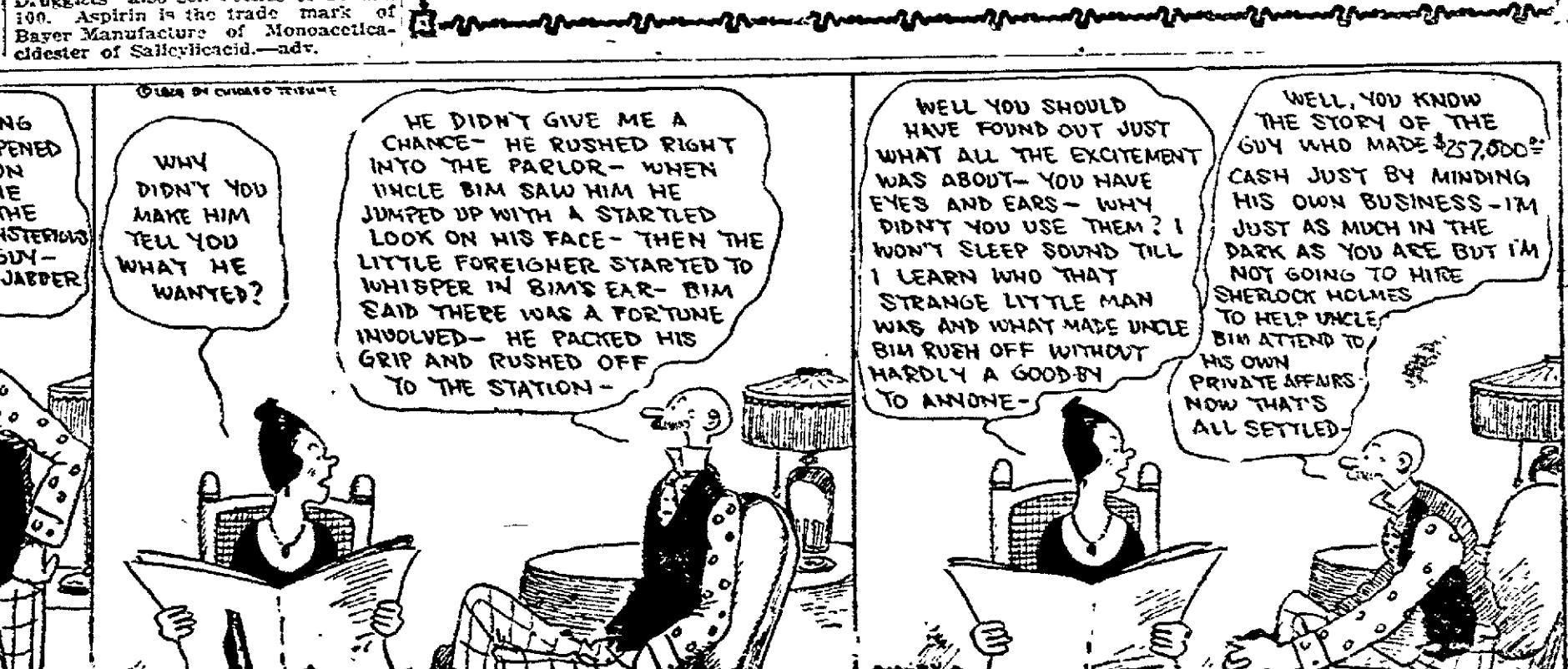
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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

N. W. C. A. Tea Room.
The Blue Triangle Tea Room, occupying the entire lower floor of the Elks Club, will soon be completed and opened to the public.

The rooms have been re-decorated and furnished in Old English style, and the equipment will be complete and attractive. The committee is selecting draperies and furnishings to-day.

A "Get Acquainted" Meeting.

Invitations have been issued to a social entertainment which will be in the nature of a "get-together" meeting to be held at Main Street Methodist church on Thursday evening next. Church members and their friends are invited to the affair, the announcement reads.

Fidells Class Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Fidells Class of Moffett Memorial Church, was held last evening in the class rooms of the church. Splendid reports were read by chairmen of the several committees. Great plans have been made for the coming year by Mrs. J. J. Walters, teacher of the class. The class was divided into ten groups and each member special work to do. At the close of the business meeting a social hour was spent during which refreshments were served. There was much merriment when the retiring officers attempted to initiate the new officers. The officers were: president, Miss Elsie Thomas; secretary, Miss Florence Worsham; Rec. secretary, Miss Maude Jackson; treasurer, Miss Lizzie Myers.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bell and Misses Nazine Motter, Eva Wilkerson, were the retiring officers.

Mrs. W. C. Jett, of Richmond, will arrive tomorrow for a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Johnson.

Mrs. J. W. Tipton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jessie Apperson, at Winston-Salem, N. C.

—Dr. W. Turner who is being treated at Edmunds Hospital, is improving.

—Dr. J. W. Tipton — in New York, taking a course of lectures and study.

Y. W. C. A. Ballots For New Board

Letters have been sent to the membership of the Young Women's Christian Association, enclosing a ballot with the names presented by the nominating committee for the election of members for the board of directors each of those elected to serve a term of three years to fill the terms expiring and the vacancies caused by resignation. Any member over eighteen may vote. The result of the election will be announced at the annual meeting.

The ballot contains the names of the following persons:

Mrs. L. O. Crumpler, Mrs. S. C. Cunningham, Mrs. Rucker Penn, Mrs. S. Y. Taylor, Mrs. Andrew A. Giles, Mrs. Fred W. Townes, Mrs. Bon W. Beach, Mrs. G. Wm. Frazee, Miss Sallie Maskus and Miss Maud Woodward.

The ballot reads: "If you wish to make other nominations write in the names in blank spaces. Any nominations signed by twenty-five electors of the Association will be posted as a special nomination."

FASHION NOTES

SPORT COATS
Very fine sport coats of padded or embroidered crepe have upstanding collars and no belts. They are most attractive with white ducated silk or flannelette shirts.

WHITE GLOVES GO
Gra. or light tan gloves have almost replaced the white ones that were once the true touch of elegance to a woman's costume.

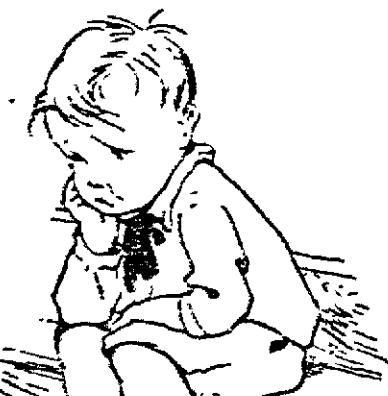
LARGE HAT BACK
Occasionally one sees a large hat of felt with a soft rolling brim and a bit of colorful trimming applied directly in front.

WHITE FLANNEL
The white flannel suit promises to be as popular for late spring as it is now for Palm Beach, and the tailored white becomes more attractive as the season advances.

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Mother!

Clean Child's Bowels with
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Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.—adv.

HELPFUL HINTS

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REMEDY FOR BURNS.

If you burn yourself, a quick remedy is to apply a layer of raw potato to the burned portion and wrap with a soft cloth.

CUT GLASS.

Vases and compacts of cut glass will have a beautiful polish if you clean them with soap applied with steel wool.

MAILING STAMPS.

If you have occasion to send stamps through the mail in a letter take the precaution of dusting them with powder on the gummed side and they will never stick together.

WOODWORK SPOTS.

Remove all spots and marks from the woodwork as soon as they appear, because if they are allowed to stand it means that severe measures must be taken to remove them, and frequently the finish is removed too.

SILVERWARE.

Silverware with plain surfaces easily scratched is sometimes injured by ordinary silver polishes. A good way to clean it is to apply potato water with soft cloth and then polish afterward with a charcoal.

PATENT LEATHER.

A little sweet oil is excellent for your patent leather shoes every now and then.

SOILED COLLARS.

The best of coat collars will become greasy and soiled with wear. Clean them with alcohol in which salt has been dissolved.

GLASS STOPPER.

When you cannot remove the stopper from your perfume bottle try tapping the neck of the bottle with something else made of glass and you can usually remove it with ease.

safe. The villa was undamaged. The prince regent and Princess Nagato also are reported safe.

COMMUNICATION LINES

PRACTICALLY PARALYZED
(Associated Press Leased Wire)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.—Houses were demolished at Numadzu on Sunaga Bay, south of Tokio, where the temperate villa is located, and extensive damage caused throughout the territory in the vicinity by an earthquake this morning according to reports from the Kobe Railway bureau received by the Nihon Dempo.

Almost complete demoralization of telephone, telegraph and railway communication lines in a belt extending from Tokio southward along the coast to Nagojo, at least, nearly 200 miles away is reported. Tokio and Yokohama are said to have been isolated for a short time after the earthquake was felt.

Except for windows smashed by the shocks, plaster shaken from the walls and tiles from the room, no serious damage to the Imperial hotel resulted.

All the serious casualties in the affected district are said to have been confined to Japanese.

The center of the earthquake is believed to have been near Tanza, a mountain in Sagami province according to officials of the central observatory; its duration was recorded as twelve minutes. Its intensity was estimated at half that of last September.

The railroad service west of Tokio has been suspended as a result of the damage wrought by the quake. Local streets railway lines suspend service for a half hour after the shock but service was suspended when examination revealed that the lines had not been permanently impaired by the tremor.

Despite badly crippled telegraphic communications news of the interruption of the rail traffic and the derangement of trains is beginning to trickle into officials headquarters here.

The earthquake derailed part of a freight train at Totsuka, near Yokohama, drew an engine off the track. Onosawa, a suburb of Tokio.

All railroad lines between Hiratsuka and Chigasaki were broken.

Communication between Tokio and Kobe was cut off. The express from Kobe was stopped at Kozu, owing to damage to the roadbed.

One report stated that six hundred houses had been demolished in Yokohama. Odawara, a city on Kawasaki Bay, about 75 miles southwest of here, suffered the greatest damage from the Temblor, as it did last September when vast sections of both Yokohama and Tokio and surrounding cities were virtually destroyed.

It is known however that the Italian government for a long time—perhaps ever since the Genoa conference—has been negotiating with the Soviets. It is even presumed that these negotiations have now been completed for the Italian Senate just prior to adjournment ratified the Russo-Italian economic agreement.

The result, it is whispered, has been complete agreement wherein the Italian government recognizes the Soviet government not only as a de facto but as a de jure administration.

The announcement of alleged results of this sort presumably would not be made with pomp and splendor, but would be allowed to transpire quietly as befits a government which in its own country has overthrown the communists at the very moment they hoped to take power.

SEVERAL TRAINS WRECKED: FIRE IN TOKIO SUBURBS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

OSAKA, Japan, Jan. 15.—Fire is raging in the suburbs of Tokio, one train was thrown into a river at Ran-yama and six trains overturned between Gotemba and Tokio as a result of the earthquake which shook Tokio and the vicinity this morning.

The emperor and empress who were in the imperial villa at Numazu when the shock occurred are reported to be

safe. The stock market suspended operations owing to the failure of communications.

OUTSIDERS FLOCK TO BAVARIAN TOWN FOR LOW PRICED FOOD

STRASBURG, Bavaria, Jan. 14.—Of 37 travelers who sighted from a train here recently 34 were railroad men who had passes and had come to Strasbourg to take advantage of the prevailing low prices in foodstuffs.

LIKELY CANDIDATE



The Tangle

An Intimate Story of Innermost Emotions Revealed In Private Letters

LETTER FROM SALLY ATTERTON TO BEATRICE GRIMSHAW, CONTINUED

You know, Bee, Sam wouldn't show himself to any other person as untidy as he does to me for anything in the world, yet I can fully understand his attitude and if he were alone he would be all right.

This may seem to you a very foolish little thing, and perhaps there are people in the world who love each other so devotedly, so passionately, that they can clothe each other exquisitely in their imaginations and blind their material eyes to all slovenliness and imperfection. I can't do it.

All this, my dear, is a kind of prelude to tell you I think Sam and I have come to the parting of the ways. We haven't told each other this yet, but I am sure I bore him quite as much as he does me.

He has a sort of shamed feeling that will not let him confess this to me, but I know when he begins to tell me what a wonderful wife I was to him during all the time he was blind, he is trying to salve his conscience for not being able to keep from thinking now that he wishes I were miles away.

We never did have anything in common except the glamor of sex attraction. Isn't nature implacably malevolent? She pays no attention to our cries—afterward. She shows no pity for our unhappy state. She must know that after she has brought us together and her work is done she has sentenced us to long years of unhappiness and hatred, had yet she goes her way mating and making other people unhappy.

Yes, Bee, I am very bitter and I am riding my hobby perhaps to a fall. Anyway, I have decided that Sam and I are ruining both our lives by trying to live together longer. He is growing belligerent and arrogant and I am losing my sense of humor, which is fatal. Sam never bad one.

Now I have a chance to go into the office of Leslie's husband, Jack Prescott. This seems a way out—at least, it would seem so if it wasn't Leslie's husband. I'd rather be among strangers.

Now my dear, I come to the crux of the whole matter. All the other stuff that I have been writing to you is only a prelude. Would you go?

How silly of me to ask when our tempers are so different? But would you advise me to do it?

If I can go there without making Leslie feel that she must look after my social well-being I should like to do it. In other words if I could go as a stranger and just live my life as I want to, it looks to me now as though it would be ideal.

By the way, dear, when are you going to Los Angeles and marry Dick and settle down? Perhaps for you marriage would be all right, but for me no more marriage—at least not for a while.

Affectionately yours,
SALLY.

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TOMORROW: Letter from Dr. Ebenezer Knox to John Alden Prescott—Truth about Jack's mother.

MISSIONARY UNION TO MEET

The Interdenominational Missionary Union will meet at Mrs. E. S. Heidelberg's home tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock.

Cuts His Throat While In Dream

TAZEWELL, Va., Jan. 15.—The condition of Edgar Carter, well known young man who attempted to cut his throat with a safety razor blade, here, Tuesday, is reported as right much improved. The windpipe by a half breadth, it said.

The young man has told his family that he dreamed of the presence of the razor blade near him and that upon awakening from the dream he picked up the blade upon the impulse of the moment and drew it across his throat.

Mr. Carter had been suffering from mental aberration, and it has been suggested his breakdown has been due to hard work and to exposure to fumes of gasses where he had been employed. Mr. Carter is an excellent young man and his many friends hope his illness will be of short duration and he soon will recover from the mental strain under which he has suffered. The young man's parents reside in West Graham, and they have had much sympathy over the affliction of their son, which came upon them so suddenly. Considerable mystery still exists over the presence of the safety razor blade when the wound was inflicted until the matter was cleared up by the boy himself after he came to himself in stating the article had been revealed to him in a dream and he found it exactly where he had dreamed the blade was.

BANK UNDER SUPERVISION

(By the Associated Press)

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 14.—The Sioux Falls Trust and Savings Bank, with deposits of \$5,000,000 to-day was placed under the supervision of The State Depositors' Guaranty Fund Commission and will temporarily suspend payments on deposits, it was announced. First reports were that the bank had been closed, but these were corrected by the subsequent announcement that the institution would remain open under state supervision.

REBEL SOLDIERS ARE ON THE MARCH

(By the Associated Press)
EAGLE PASS, TEXAS, Jan. 14.—It was reported here today that a large number of rebel troops were approaching Piedras Negras, opposite Eagle Pass, with the intention of "bottling up" General Elias Plutarco Calles at his base in the Piedras Negras barracks. The reports could not be confirmed, but no trains left the Mexican town for the south today. Six or eight airplanes were being delivered to the Mexican government.

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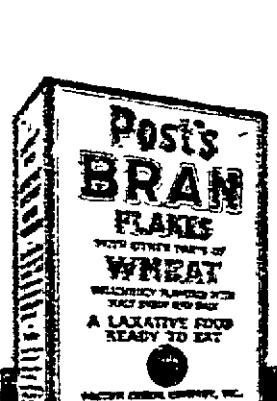
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A THOUGHT.

Have no fellowship with the un-
fruitful works of darkness, but
rather reprove them.—Eph. 5:11.

Without good company all dainties
Lose their true relish, and like
painted grapes, Are only seen, not tasted.

—Massinger.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1924.

WHY HAVE A CHARTER COMMISSION?

The action of the Council in rushing through its legislative courses, as far as this can be done by a municipal legislative body, a vitally amended form of the recommendations of a special Charter Commission, raises sharply and distinctly the issue: Shall the Council rule, or shall the people rule? A body of nine men, chosen in a somewhat irregular manner of nominating, has now undertaken to amend the city's charter and to direct its imperative mandate to the General Assembly of Virginia that this is what the people of Danville desire, whereas, in fact, the people of Danville have not only not been consulted, but have been ignored by their councilmanic masters.

This Council be it remembered, was chosen with no mandate or instruction that it undertake to rewrite the city's charter. Although a charter is the organic or fundamental law of a municipality, the Council undertakes to re-write this not only without so much as a by-your-leave of the people who provide the city's revenues and clothe its officials with their limited powers, but it over-rides the action of a charter commission which devoted much time and thought to preparing the draft of an amended charter. That commission was composed of intelligent and thoughtful citizens and the co-operation and suggestion of many other citizens was invited. When the commission had completed its work the Council undertakes in an unexpectedly called meeting to undo that work in such respects as it chooses and to ignore and nullify the plain mandate of the people as to the election of their one official receiving the highest salary ever paid to any official in Danville.

It would not only take out of the hands of the people the election of the Superintendent of Public Utilities, Purchasing Agent, Clerk and Special Adviser to Council committee and collaborator with the city attorney in shaping concordant legislation, but would transfer this power to a body of nine men of whom five would be able to select this most important and most highly-renumerated official. The Charter Commission sounded the public sentiment of the city and, becoming convinced that it did not approve the councilmanic election of the Superintendent of Public Utilities, it refrained from recommending any change in the present manner of electing that official. But along comes the Council reversing the recommendation of its commission and defying the will of the people of the city, as expressed in the Charter Commission's recommendations.

Not only are the people defied and taunted with their impotence but told in effect that they are incompetent to select their most highly salaried official. They are actually made to be a tax rate fixed by this council, and as to which the people to pay the taxes have not been consulted. If "taxation without representation is tyranny" and "Resistance is tyrant" is obedience to God," as Henry Clay in one of his inspired patriotic outbursts once proclaimed, what is to be said of the action of this body of men, clothed with no mandate to do, seeking authority to increase the local tax for schools from 5c to 7c cents on the \$100 of valuation and at a time when the masses are already groaning under tax burden—municipal, State and Federal? The evasive explanation that the confection of tax power upon the Council does not mean that it will necessarily avail itself of this usurped power, is the flimsiest subterfuge. Had it not intended to do this very thing, it would never have thus flown into the face

of a disapproving public sentiment. Here we find the people not even apprised in advance of this action in bearing tax burden upon them, let alone being consulted as to the wisdom of alleged necessity for such extraordinary power.

Finally, as tending to completely establish the purpose of the Council to foist this legislation upon the people of Danville, we find Mr. Carrington, who is always blunt, if not always discreet, calling attention to the necessity of losing no time in having it (the Council's Charter) adopted by the legislature! Are its proponents afraid for the people to be heard? If so, why have they taken snap judgment upon the citizens and tax-payers of Danville, and why are they afraid for them to be heard by a legislative committee?

If the Council believed that the people favored being deprived of the opportunity and power of electing the superintendent of works, why did it not submit the matter to a referendum? Why, indeed, was it unwilling to submit the amended charter, including the arbitrary tax increase, to the voters and tax-payers for approval? Does the Council feel that the voters of Danville are incapable of choosing their highest-salaried official? If so, perhaps it will also conclude that they are incapable of selecting a Council—as some now suspect in view of the high-handed usurpation of authority of the present body.

If the people are willing to abdicate the last remaining vestige of power not heretofore usurped, they will sit supinely while this usurpatory legislation is being "jammed through" and will bow their heads meekly while the yoke is being securely adjusted which shall bind them.

Let the people circulate petitions demanding a referendum as to this charter, and let them make their voices heard at Richmond. Do they rule themselves or are they willing to be ruled from Richmond as five men of a body of nine will hereafter rule them?

A new council will be re-elected this summer. Why should not this important matter be held in abeyance until then and let each one seeking re-election or election, announce his platform. It is not impossible that the same thing that happened to Pittsylvania county might happen to Danville. The entire board of super-

COLLEGES MEN IN BUSINESS

The annual report of the president of Harvard University mentions a condition that is not peculiar to his institution, the steadily increasing proportion of graduates who enter business instead of one of the so-called learned professions. There was a time when practically all college graduates became lawyers, doctors or ministers. By 1896 25 per cent. of the members of a Harvard graduating class embarked on a business career. But of the class of 1916, 55 per cent were in this category.

Such a showing is on the whole encouraging. Instead of the reverse, it means not that the professions are suffering for lack of recruits, but that business is getting more men of trained intellect to formulate and carry out its progressive policies. Within recent years attendance at all the universities and colleges has greatly increased. Many institutions find difficulty in providing accommodations for all who seek instruction. This reflects the growth of the sound idea that higher education should not be exclusively for members of the professions, but that every man, whatever his occupation, is the better for undergoing a course of mental discipline under the most competent teachers to be had.

"Self-made men" who were without early educational advantages are among the most eager indorsers of the new idea. They want their sons to have the education they feel they should have had themselves. That is one reason why our colleges are so crowded this year and why for several years past such a large proportion of the graduates have been potential business men. Despite Mr. Edison's theory, business has use for college men and is ever ready to avail itself of their specially trained mental equipment.

THE THRIFT CAMPAIGN

The intensive seven-day thrift campaign, as deserving of the widest publicity and of the earnest attention of all classes of citizens. It is well planned, as the summary of the projected activities of the various committees discloses, and, unfortunately, there is only too much need for curbing the tendency toward a spirit of wastefulness, which has been manifesting itself in many forms especially since the signing of the armistice.

It is a fortunate circumstance that the week specially set aside for the calculation of the advantages of saving includes January 12, the anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin, because on that day in France and England, as well as in every part of the United States, tributes will be paid to the great American, not only as a statesman, a scientist, an inventor and a litterateur, but also as the apostle of frugal living and of the

THE OLD HOME TOWN - - - - - By Stanley



LATE LAST NIGHT MRS ED WURGLER RETURNED THE GIFT ED GAVE HER CHRISTMAS

of "Poor Richard," the first typical American character who, as has been well said, ranks with Leatherstocking and Uncle Remus himself, because they are inextricably intertwined with the very warp and woof of everyday speech and come glibly to the tongue on every appropriate occasion. And the burden of these sayings is always—thrift.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

The almshouse question in Danville is so thoroughly understood after the study which it has been given by all shades of opinion that it is useless to enter into any protracted rites of interment. The fact remains that the almshouse project is "dead" insofar as the present council is concerned and unlikely to be resurrected any time soon since such a division of opinion exists on the merits of the undertaking. It would be difficult to secure any greater unanimity than that recorded in the vote taken yesterday. The Bee regrets that the council has not been able to reach some accord on a question which is perhaps closer to the hearts of the people it represents than has been realized. Nobody interested in the welfare of the city's poor had hopes of a palatial institution for them—all that was sought was a decent place in which these people might live out the rest of their days in ease and with the necessities of life. The technicality of refusing the project simply because of its monetary aspects—the overstepping of the allowance tentatively set—will hardly be accepted as a valid excuse neither will the theory that it is a bad thing to carry over into the new fiscal year a debt of some \$18,000. The fact remains that the poor are a consideration for the community and they are deserving of more regard than the installation of a money-producing steam turbine in the city's power plant which the council is about to invest in and which will add to the bonded indebtedness of the city to the tune of \$125,000. The poor will never return a dividend.

BUT LUTHER FAIR WILL BE THERE! He will occupy a ring-side seat and is likely to jump the ropes before the knock-out comes!

The Seven Days Battle Around Richmond" is to be fought over again. That "Democracy shall not perish from the earth!"

(P. S.—We are informed that an effort was made to change the name of the town in the new charter, but in the scramble no decision was reached. It was a tie vote between Carrington and Talbot and the matter was dropped. This may be bunk but it auto go into the story.)

We bet three cookies to a banana that the man who started "as easy as taking candy away from a baby," never tried to take candy away from a baby.

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No woman, sniffs Junius, will admit that she's old enough to remember when they were building houses with hails in 'em.

ADVERTISING TURNS BUM BUSINESS INTO BOOM BUSINESS.

JOE WHITE IS BEATEN.

(By the Associated Press)

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 14.—Sailor Tom Maxted, of Newark, decisively whipped Joe White, of Alabama, claimant of the heavyweight championship of the south here tonight in an eight round bout, in the opinion of sport writers at the ringside.

ANVIL SPARKS

An Eastern man who bucked Rockefeller in oil has died penniless. The last word is rather superfluous.

That bomb which stopped a dance in Budapest would have been acceptable hereabouts as one of the drummer's novelty effects.

While others are discussing the Box Award Peace Plan, the "irreconcilable" of the Senate are cussing it.

We would not be surprised in the least if considerable should be heard before long of the presidential campaign.

Alas for the middle-aged who try to remain young. No sooner do they master a popular dance step than fashion announces a new one.

After playing him up as "Silent Cal", the supporters of the president are now giving it out that he is becoming a good mixer. It probably will be some time, however, until they report him as slapping people on the back had saying "bully."

DAN RIVER GROWERS.

The regular monthly meeting of the Dan River District T. G. A. convened at Rock Spring school house Jan. 12, 1924. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neal. Prayer by C. L. Lea.

Reports of secretaries approved. On motion by C. L. Lea; that a committee be appointed to confer with Ed Walton. The committee appointed were J. H. Neal, C. L. Lea.

Do not sleep in your shoes. Suggests "Chin" Powell. Place them by the side of the bed for throwing at the cats.

The time is coming when everyone living on the coast will be able to swim twelve miles.

There are so many doctors now

Nature is never given a chance to show what she can do.

Rubber heels are great things. They not only make you live longer, but they make your desk last longer.

"It's all off," said the barber to the convict.

Col. Ben Beach says in the olden days, women kissed to make up—now they make up to kiss.

Kelly Lewis adds that it's all right to kiss and make up if you don't mind the flavor of the make-up.

Rising to the Occasion.

The gracious personality of this charming singer won for her much praise and admiration. The two succeeding songs, "Give Me All of You" and "Kiss Me Again," met with warm responses—Oregon City Enterprise.

Gladys says her brother-in-law has an awful grrouch on. After trying to rent his house for several months at an outlandish price he has moved into it himself.

To make half enough to live on, says Charlie Gee, a man these days has got to be paid about twice as much as he's worth.

(By K. KEATER SMITH)

I met a girl at a dance last night. She was the ears! Her eyes—knockout! Could she dance?—Oh boy! Did she get away?—Well the stags were shinguard!

Was she beautiful?—I'll say so! And how she did know her hardware! Some girl!

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"Oh, Doctor," said the man, in a hesitating tone. "I didn't expect you so early again."

I heard vague whispered remarks. I gathered that, though the chances were small, the doctor had thought me back to me and said: "I do hope you'll forgive me. But you won't be long, doctor, will you? No. But, look here," he went on, addressing me again. "I wonder if you'd mind waiting 10 minutes, not more, perhaps only five, in the dining room. Just a moment, doctor, please."

I found myself in the dining room, seated at a table on which were decanters of brandy and whisky, while the footsteps of the two men echoed up the stairs. "Well," I thought, "now you've done it." When I looked about me, the effect of luxury was carried out on a larger scale, by pictures, one of which, without the slightest doubt, was a Rembrandt. I wondered what actually I had been brought in for. I did not believe my host. That he should bring me in to comfort an old lady at her last hour, that he should pick any stranger from the street in front of her and hold it fast, suggesting sympathy. It must be painful for her to tell a stranger such a story, even of a distant relative. "Go on," I said. "You'd better tell me everything."

"I will. Do you know why they want him tonight? It isn't just to please mother. They'd kill her if they dared. If they weren't frightened by the doctor. No. Mother's always been fond of Charlie, and when she made her will she left him something for himself. She makes him call her Auntie. But during the last few years she has hated me."

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IN A LEGATEE'S SHOES

BEGIN HERE TODAY

A novelist seeks nocturnal adventure. He walks up Viking Square where he sees an elderly English parlor maid standing on the steps of a house. When the maid sees him she jumps down the steps and with a sly smile asks him, "Oh, Mr. Charlie, you've come at last." The novelist allows himself to be led into the house in which he finds costly furnishings.

An elderly man in evening dress comes toward him and greets him as "Charlie." He gets the impression that both the man and the maid know he is not their man. The aunt is very ill and is waiting for him. The novelist tells the maid and the man that he is not the man they think he is but offers to play his part in whatever drama they have for him.

rubbling, her face stained with tears. She was so breathless with excitement that at first she could not speak. Her appearance surprised me. I saw now that she was more than 40, but she had a strange tragic beauty, and was clad in an evening frock of which I could recognize the fashion and the price. About her neck, too, were several rows of pearls. There existed a cruel contrast between the luxury of her appearance and the expression of her features. She was faded and wrinkled, and her cheeks were wet with tears, but I could see by the straightness and delicacy of the nose, the shape of the lips, and the length of the eyelashes, that this woman had once been beautiful. Perhaps a long life of suffering had ruined her loveliness.

"Oh," she murmured, "thank you for letting me out." I was minded to ask her why they had locked her in, but knew that she would tell me more easily if I kept silent. "I heard everything," she went on in aapid murmur. "I heard them bring on in."

"Yes, of course," I went

Increased Taxation for City Schools and Election Frank Talbott Council Proposed

(Continued from page one)

revised charter as a whole. The charter was then committed to Frank Talbott, City Attorney, A. M. Aiken and City Auditor R. P. Moss who are charged with "putting it through." Mr. Talbott is already in Richmond attending the League of Municipalities session. The revised charter will be taken by the two other members of the committee on Thursday to Richmond where steps will be taken to have it presented to the legislature as a bill.

Eyes will now turn to Richmond. Whether the district representatives in the House and Senate will concede that the amended charter meets the wishes of the people remains to be seen. It may be said with certainty that one element in this city which has opposed any change in the method of electing Mr. Talbott will seek to have the bill emasculated in this particular. One of the recognized leaders of that group virtually promised this some weeks ago when the matter was discussed with him.

It was expected that the council would not submit to the restrictions

Danville, Virginia,
January 12th, 1924.
To the President and Members of the
City Council.

Gentlemen—
Your Special Committee appointed
to study the revised City Charter as
prepared by the Charter Commission
which was recently presented to
Council, and to recommend such
changes therein as in our opinion
would prove to be to the best interest
of the City of Danville, have per-
formed their duty to the best of their
ability and offer for your considera-
tion the following report, setting
forth such changes as have been
made, which changes have been pre-
pared by our City Attorney.

Your Committee is cognizant of the
splendid work done by the Charter
Revision Commission and appreciate
the time and consideration devoted to
the work. The Commission improved
the language of the Charter and
made many desirable changes essential
to a well governed city. We recom-
mend them most highly on their
accomplishment.

There are, however, a few changes
which we feel are imperative, and
should be provided for in order that
our city and its government may not
be handicapped but may enjoy such
progress as it justly entitled to.

We have, therefore, made the fol-
lowing changes:

1—Chapter 4, Section 5, has been
re-written so as to provide that all
official bonds furnished the City by
municipal officers shall be filed with
the City Auditor and Clerk of Council.

We have caused this change to be
made in order that an accurate ac-
count and a complete file may be kept
of such bonds.

2—Section 12 of Chapter 6 has been
re-written so as to provide the elec-
tion of the Supt. of Public Utilities by
the City Council in the same manner
as is prescribed for the election of
all other city officials.

This change has been made in or-
der that the City Council may have
direct control over such officers as
may be placed in the office of Supt.
of Public Utilities and can see
no legitimate reason why the Supt. of
Public Utilities should not be direct-
ly under the Council as other city of-
ficers and to know of no other city
whose Supt. of Public Utilities is elect-
ed by the people at large.

3—Section 22 of Chapter 6 has
been amended in order that the
Council may grant aid to charitable
and benevolent institutions and as-
sociations in or near the City of Dan-
ville.

In view of the fact that the new
City Home plan provides for the erec-

tion of the Home without the corpor-
ate limits of the City and Hilltop
Sanitorium is at present without the
corporate limits, we deem it wise to
make this change.

4—We have caused Section 1 of
Chapter 7 to be re-written so as to
provide a tax rate for general city
purposes of \$1.25 and a tax rate for
school purposes not to exceed 75¢.

It is the opinion of your Committee
that this change is very necessary in
view of the fact that our city schools
are much congested and need consider-
able improvement. The provision
provides specifically that the increased
tax rate is only for school pur-
poses whatsoever. While this section
provides that the tax rate may be 75¢
for school purposes it does not neces-
sarily mean that the tax rate will be
increased by 25¢ or at all.

5—Section 5 of Chapter 8 under
the old charter provides for the is-
sue and sale of bonds by the city
Court and two members of the
Commission to be elected or appointed
by the Council whether from
qualified voters or from members of
the City Council. All members of
the commission to have the same terms
of office as are at present prescribed
for.

This section has been re-written,
eliminating the \$10,000 clause, but
providing that the Council may issue
during any one year not exceeding
\$50,000 for purposes other than Pub-
lic Utilities but in no event to ex-
ceed this amount for any one or more
departments.

6—Chapter 8 of Section 6 has been
re-written in order to provide the
Council with power and authority to
issue bonds of the City of Danville for
the improvement, extension, and re-
pair of its Public Utilities, which are,
of course, revenue producing properties,
in an amount not exceeding \$150,-
000 on any one or all three of the
plants within any one year. That is
to say, the Council may issue \$150,-
000 for water, \$150,000 for gas, and
\$150,000 for electric.

The provision for \$150,000 of Util-
ity bonds does not mean that the
Council would issue bonds up to the
limit in each year nor does it mean
that such bonds would be issued un-
less actually needed.

It is the unanimous opinion of your
Committee that such a provision is
most advisable in view of the fact
that the people at large are unable
to familiarize themselves with exist-
ing conditions of Public Utilities in
the same manner as they may famili-
arize themselves with streets and
sewers. Should an emergency arise
in the Electric, Gas or Water De-
partments it would mean that hun-
dreds of homes would suffer and
many industries caused to close down

their business for a period of approx-
imately two to four months in order
to call an election and vote the is-
sue of the necessary bonds to
finance the repairs or improvements
necessary in order to resume opera-
tions unless the Council has the
authority to issue such bonds as your
Committee has made provision for.

The provision as made by your
Committee is a most important one
and we are sure that there could be
no objection to it in view of the fact
that the expenditures from such bond
issues are invariably made for per-
manent improvements and a realizable
asset is shown for the expendi-
tures thus made.

7—Section 1 of Chapter 10 has
been re-written so as to provide that
the Police Commission of the City of
Danville shall consist of the Mayor of
the City, who shall be Chairman ex-
officio, two qualified voters of the City
to be appointed from the City at
large by the Judge of the Corpora-
tion Court and two members of the
Commission to be elected or appointed
by the Council whether from
qualified voters or from members of
the City Council. All members of
the commission to have the same terms
of office as are at present prescribed
for.

We earnestly recommend that the
Charter prepared by the Charter Re-
vision Commission as amended by
your Special Committee be accepted

and G. S. Johnson.

After several speeches by visitors,
commending co-operative marketing
the meeting adjourned to meet again
Saturday Feb. 9, at Oak Grove school
house.

G. S. JOHNSON, Sec.

JOHN L. BROWN DIES AT HOME ON MONDAY

Mr. John L. Brown, aged 63 years,
died at his home, 206 Girard Street,
at 5:40 yesterday afternoon. Funeral
services will be conducted from the
residence at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday af-
ternoon by his pastor, Dr. T. A.
Smoot, assisted by Rev. C. J. D.
Parker, of Moffet Memorial Baptist
Church. Deceased is survived by his
widow and one daughter, Miss Mattie
Brown.

Mr. Brown had been paralyzed for
nearly a year. He was an employee of
the Riverside and Danville Cot-
ton Mills for a long time.

Interment will be in Lexington Cemetery.

ATHENS, Jan. 14.—George Cook,
American playwright and founder of
the Provincetown players, is dead at
Delphi. He succumbed to glanders
contracted from a pet dog.

MRS. WINTER TO TALK

By the Associated Press
ROANOKE, VA., Jan. 14.—Mrs.
Thomas G. Winter, president of the
General Federation of Women's Clubs
will arrive in Roanoke tomorrow to
make an address to the women of the
city at the Chamber of Commerce.
Elaborate preparations have been
made for her entertainment.

PALMIST-CLAIRVOYANT Madam Odell

Seventh daughter born with a veil, reads your past, present and future in all affairs of life. Business, Love or Trouble. Settles all love quarrels, causes speedy and happy marriages with the one of your choice, do you desire the full secret, how to fascinate and control the one of your choice, no matter what trouble you may have such as law suits, health, marriage, divorce, family trouble, she will advise you how to overcome your difficulties. If you feel the impulse to do not delay. Do you feel unlucky? Unloved? Your entire life is revealed. Prices reasonable. Hours 9 a. m. to 9:30 p. m. Located in her own private home, over Wee Fair Millinery and Gift Shop.

557 MAIN STREET—UP STAIRS

Opening Thursday, January 17

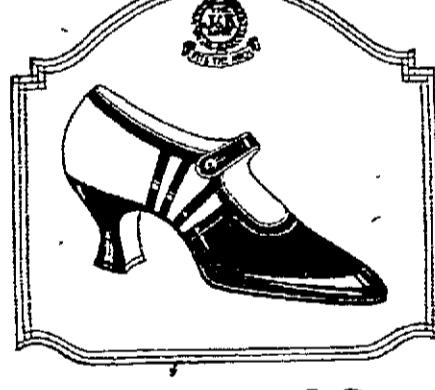
CLEANING HOUSE

With sweeping reductions on all broken lots and sizes of
Fine Footwear—Men's Women's and Children's—Special Lots
to be closed out—At a Saving of from \$1.00 to \$5.00 pair

This Beauty

In brown suede oxford with lattice front, a \$14
slipper will be included in a special lot of fine
slippers to be closed out at

\$6.95



This Patent and Gray

One strap slipper, Patent Vamp and Gray Backs, a real dressy style is included in a Special lot to be closed out at

\$6.95



This Pretty Style

In patent and also black kid, one of our most popular styles in hand welt soles with walking heels, one of our highest-grade shoes will be included in a special lot at

\$2.95



Oxfords

Our complete line of fine Oxfords in all leathers, Black and Brown kids, Suedes and calf leathers will be reduced in price during this sale to close out at

\$6.95

\$4.00 Children's Shoes

Of high top lace Shoes in sizes 11 1/2 to 2. These are black and brown and some of them are our very best qualities. These do not include our entire lot but values are broken styles and will be closed out at Pair....

\$2.50

\$3.00 Special Lot Hose

Of fine hosiery, in glove silk and lace hose, in brown and bleak. Van Raalte make. These patterns are lotted together and will be closed out at only. Pair.....

\$1.00

Women's Low Shoes

This special lot of
low shoes includes
many styles in
brown and black, of
discontinued lines
and many of the best
sizes are in this lot.
Here some very attrac-
tive values are
offered, especially
in brown and
black kid medium
pointed oxfords
made over combina-
tion lasts. The
styles all the way
through sold as high
as from \$8.00 to
\$12.50. Closing out
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at

\$4.95

Women's Low Shoes

In this lot you will
find most exception-
al values in New
Oxfords, New strap
Pumps, New Brown
Suede Pumps, some
of the season's snap-
piest styles in the
colors you like best
such as Mandalay,
Otter, Log Cabin
and Bleat, that are
offered in a Special
lot and include our
entire line of Ox-
fords. Closing out
at

\$6.95

Women's Low Shoes

The season's most
attractive styles in
a variation of colors
and patterns. In-
cluded are satin,
suedes, patent and
kid novelty pat-
terns, styles that
will be good all
through Spring in
the very highest
grades. A special lot
closing out at

\$8.95

BOYDEN SHOES

MEN—Here is the greatest shoe value you ever heard of. The Boyden shoe (the world's best) our complete line of high tops (except black kid) in tan and brown leathers all style toes will be reduced during this sale

\$9.95

A special lot of mixed styles in discontinued lines some pointed styles, medium wide toes in calf and kid leathers, these are made by Holland, Alden and J. W. Carter and others and will be closed out

\$3.95

ALDEN SHOES

A special lot of Aldens fine shoes, in Norwegian calf leathers, in Viking calf leathers and also Smith's Smart Styles in black and tan calf leathers will be reduced during this sale at

\$7.95

Our complete line of Alden shoes in black and tan calf leathers in the season's best styles, in bluchers and bals. The best shoe for the money that you can buy will be reduced during this sale to

\$6.95

SPECIAL LOTS OF MEN'S SHOES AT \$3.95, \$5.00

THOMPSON'S "EXCLUSIVE SHOE STYLES"

This Pretty Style

In Beige Suede, Grape
Vine pattern will be in-
cluded in a special lot
along with many other
high-grade slippers in
values to \$12.50 to be
closed out at

\$8.95

This Style

In brown kid, in black
patent leather will be in-
cluded in a special lot
with our entire line of ox-
fords to close out at

\$6.95



This New Style

Is one of the seasons best
styles, made with high
ankle straps in Beige
suede leathers trimmed
with kid leather, it's a
beauty. Will be reduced
during sale to

\$6.95



This Style

In Brown suede trimmed
with tan calf leather is
one of the latest styles
and is a special value at
\$10.00 will be closed out
during sale at

\$6.95

Demand Charles Paddock, Sprinter, Be Reinstated

**HE HAS DONE
NO WRONG SO.
PACIFIC SAYS**

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—The Southern Pacific Association of the Amateur Athletic Union last night adopted resolutions demanding that the special committee of the A. A. U. "without further delay" reinstate Charles Paddock, sprinter, to amateur standing.

Declaring the A. A. U. should have settled the Paddock controversy long ago and that it "deserves more censure than the athlete for not having done so," the resolution stated pointedly "that any amateur athlete has the right to criticize the A. A. U. without being suspended."

The resolution recited that the faculty athletic committee of the University of Southern California sanctioned Paddock's entry in the University of Paris intercollegiate track meet on written certification of proper officials of the National Collegiate Association of America to the effect that it was a closed intercollegiate affair and that the French Amateur federation promptly requested all French athletes who were suspended for competing in the same meet.

"Furthermore," the Southern Pacific Association said, calls the attention of the national officers to the fact that Charles Paddock was suspended for competition in the Paris meet and not for irregularities in his 1923 expense accounts, nor for things he had said or is alleged to have said concerning the A. A. U. organization, that, therefore, the committee should base its action at this time solely on the charge upon which the athlete was suspended.

The resolution, officials of the Southern Pacific Association announced will be forwarded to the A. A. U. special committee together with the report of Robert S. Weaver, president of the Southern Pacific Association and Paddock's own version of the various angles of the controversy in which he has been involved.

**No Nut,
Cracker**
by Joe Williams

Strange thing about these English heavyweights is that while they are always on the foot they never manage to mop up with anybody.

Hans Wagner says the Pirates of 1923 had 'em all beat. It is evident that Hans never did business with a used car salesman.

A Bavarian Ski jumper fell and broke his neck.... We hope he didn't fracture he was doing something original.

Twelve of Man o' War's children will go to work next spring.... It looks as if the old man is sitting pretty for the rest of his days now.

Fifteen-year-old Michigan boy bowled a perfect game the other night, showing that boys who play in alleys come to some good after all.

A wrestler will play first base for the Phillies next year and it is to be hoped that he doesn't try to throw any games.

It is interesting to know there are no ineligible players on the Cleveland team.... It would be interesting, too, to find out what some of Speaker's players are eligible for.

It doesn't take much to satisfy some folks.... Here's Bartley Adair boasting that he once had Fred Fulton on the verge of a knockout.

The Washington pitching staff has been instructed to report Feb. 17. It is said to be in good shape, as usual.

Man who graduated from Harvard at age of 12 is now working for \$23.50 a week.... Isn't it disgusting how these collegians go around showing off?

Tommy Gibbons should have had more sense than to keep on challenging Dempsey.... Now he has to fight him.

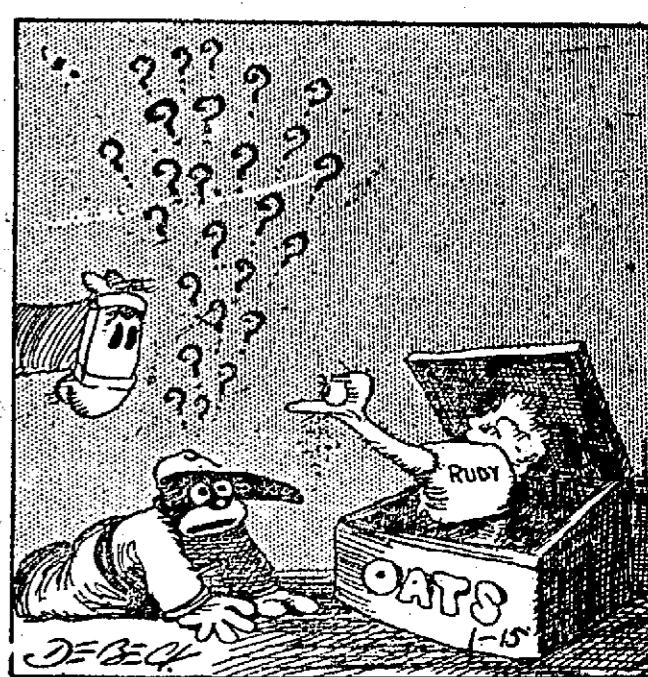
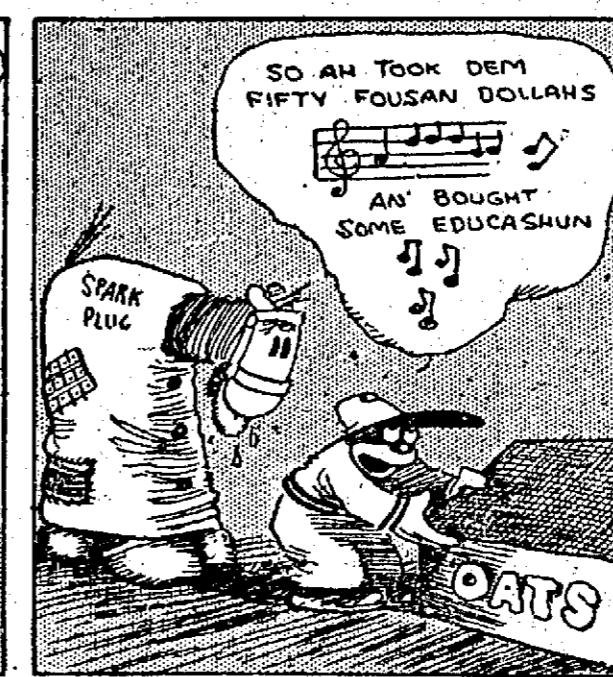
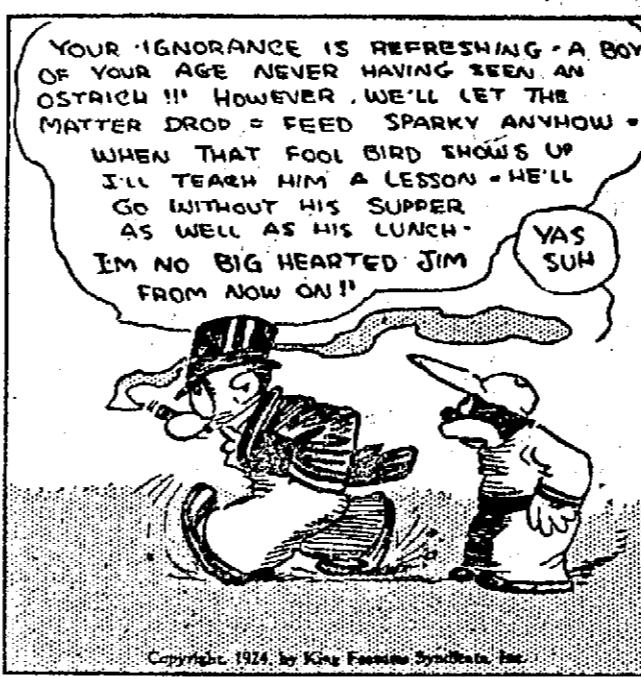
Florida society reporters register amazement because Dempsey, as a dancer, is light on his feet.... We don't suppose they saw him light on his head in the Firpo fight.

**BOUSH EXPECTS TO
REACH AGREEMENT**

(By the Associated Press)
CINCINNATI, Jan. 14.—Advices from Indianapolis, Indiana, the home of Ed House, says that the star outfielder is conducting a personal correspondence with President August Herrmann of the Cincinnati Nationals in regard to the terms of his contract, and has affairs to settle seems a mutually satisfactory way, according to the Times Star today. The article quotes Boush as saying he expected to reach an agreement within a few days.

**BARNEY
GOOGLE
and
SPARK
PLUG**

There's Nothing Wrong With Eudy's Appetite



CONNIE MACK IS UNIQUE BASEBALL HEAD



BY BILLY EVANS

Connie Mack is unique among major league baseball managers.

It is questionable if the game will ever produce a leader with similar theories.

Strangest of all, Mack does not believe all umpires are incompetent, and that his club is constantly being robbed of poor decisions on the part of the officials.

"Umpires being human, make mistakes like the rest of us," says Connie. "A close decision given against my team often loses the ball game, but just as many close decisions given in my favor win it for me.

"One season, merely as a matter of record, I decided to be not of every close decision which I believed was the turning point in the game,

decisions which perhaps could have been given the other way. The result of about 30 games hinged on some questionable rulings, my team winning two more than they lost.

"I am positive that no club suffers

to any great extent as the result of

close decisions. On a season's play it will be about fifty-fifty. The breaks even up over the long route.

The greatest trouble, that most managers, like fans, are partisan, they remember every tough decision that was ever given against them and forget every close ruling that favored them.

"Of one thing I am convinced, right or wrong the umpires call the plays as they see them. I often differ from my position on the bench disagree with them, but keep my thoughts to myself, knowing the decisions were honestly given."

In his attitude toward his players, He figures ball games are won by always having your best men on the field, that is why he never is strong for senseless kicking at the umpire.

"Give vent to your feelings when you believe the umpire has erred, but always in such a way that you won't be ejected from the game," Mack's advice to his players. "Ball games are won by fighting the other teams, not the umpire. Go along with the umpire and he will do much better work."

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to any great extent as the result of

sit in the grandstand. A player who is suspended because of trouble with an umpire generally handicaps his team, for you can't win ball games with your stars sitting in the grandstand."

They do say that Mr. Mack often adds a fine in addition to the one imposed by President Johnson if he feels the player is the one at fault. As a result it is a rarity to have some Philadelphia player put out of the game. Mack always has his full strength to shoot at the poposition.

The third decided peculiarity in the baseball system of the resourceful Mr. Mack is that he never believes in public criticism of his players for a bad play made on the field.

"No one feels worse than the ball player who has made a "bone" play," opines Mr. Mack, "and it certainly does not help his state of mind to hand him a public call-down, seen by players and fans."

"A few minutes after the game, or a short talk the next day in which the mistake is pointed out, always gets far better results in my opinion."

Yes sir! Connie Mack is unique

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SUMMON BOXER IN PROBE OF JEROME'S DEATH IN THE RING

(By the Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—District Attorney Banton tonight summoned Bud Taylor, of Terre Haute, Indiana, to appear in the homicide bureau of his office tomorrow at the investigation into the death of Frankie Jerome, New York bantamweight boxer, who collapsed after a bout with Taylor at Madison Square Garden Friday night.

Jerome died last night, a few hours after an operation to relieve a cerebral hemorrhage, an autopsy by Medical Examiner Norris today disclosing that the blood vessel in his head had been ruptured by a blow on the right temple. The rupture caused a blood clot between the skull and the base of the brain.

Mr. Norris said the fatality was purely accidental and no criminal action would be taken against Taylor, so that the summons tonight was surprising.

Approximately 30,000,000 envelopes are used annually in the distribution of United States government mail.

RAY WILL BE URGED TO ENTER 5,000 METRE RACE AT PARIS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Joe Ray, veteran Chicago distance runner, who starts his eastern indoor campaign here this week, probably will be urged to enter his Olympic efforts for America in the 5,000 metre race at Paris instead of the 1,500 run, which as the nearest to the mile on the Olympic program, ordinarily would be Ray's logical event.

Observers believe that Ray's chances of victory at 5,000 metres, a distance for which he set a new American indoor record a year ago, would be much better than in the shorter race, where he would encounter two of Eu-

rope's best runners, Nurmi, of Finland, and Wiede, of Sweden. Both of the latter during the past year have hung up marks consistently faster than America's best while Nurmi is credited with a world's mile run of 4:14.2-5.

There also would be added incentive for Ray to run the longer distance, because his principal rival probably would be Willie Ritola, American cross country and ten miles champion, who recently returned to represent his native country, Finland, in the Olympics. The pair had several sensational duels here. Ray's 5,000 metre record being set in a race in which he defeated the Finn.

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**Babe's Farming
Is Secondary**

(By the Associated Press)

SUDSBURY, MASS., Jan. 14.—Babe Ruth, who bats out the home runs in the summer months, plays gentleman farmer on his Sudsbury estate all winter, but not because he likes it. Ruth, busy at building a new hen house one cold January day, suspended operations long enough to say that farming with him is just an incident in the serious business of baseball. The axe, hammer, saw and snow shovel, which are Ruth's winter time toys, are no more than instruments of training for the mighty bat that is expected to propel home runs in mid July.

"That's the idea," said Babe. "A guy's got to keep right at it."

Inspired by an ambition and a greed, Ruth performs much hard work on his farm of 140 acres. The ambition is to outstrip all past records in long distance batting in the 1923 season. The dread is that winter may put on the Babe's great frame many pounds of weight which he will be compelled to train away in the early season. Ruth said he had much refusing to do last spring, that process sapped his strength and that he lost time at the opening of the season which told of his 1923 performance. Nothing of that kind is to occur this year, the Babe says, and he claims that he has added little to his poundage of the 1923 world's series. He made one trip to New York this winter. It was to ask

and receive permission from Colonel Ruppert, owner of the Yankees to go to Hot Springs, Arkansas, early in February for the "rolling out" process.

Ruth does not pretend to be much of an agriculturist, as the growing season of crops finds him engaged elsewhere and otherwise. His Sudsbury farm contains sixty acres of woodland, and it is against this that the Babe directs his efforts. He estimates that the timber on his property at about 300,000 feet, and he swings his southpaw axe daily during his sojourn here.

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**GROSSMAN PARDON
ILLEGAL, SAYS COURT**

(By the Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Philip Grossman, \$80,000 pardon from a prison in which he never served and to which he never reported, is of no value, according to arguments made before Federal Judges Wilkerson and Carpenter today.

It was held by attorneys for the government that Grossman's offense was contempt of court in a civil action and that President Coolidge had no right to grant a pardon or commute the sentence.

Attorneys for Grossman argued that his offense was criminal and not civil and that the pardon is legal. The judges took the case under advisement.

Grossman, it will be recalled, was sentenced to a year in the workhouse by Judge Landis for bootlegging and persistent violation of injunctions against the sale of liquor in his saloon. But he never went to jail. Influential politicians got busy at once in his behalf at Washington. President Harding refused to pardon him, but the politicians put up a plea that induced President Coolidge to grant a pardon. It then was discovered that he had never served a minute of his sentence.

A SEVERE QUAKE

(By the Associated Press)
OSAKA, Jan. 14.—A severe earthquake occurred at 3:30 o'clock this (Tuesday) morning. The zone of the movement was in the neighborhood of Tokio and telegraph and telephone communication with Tokio has stopped.

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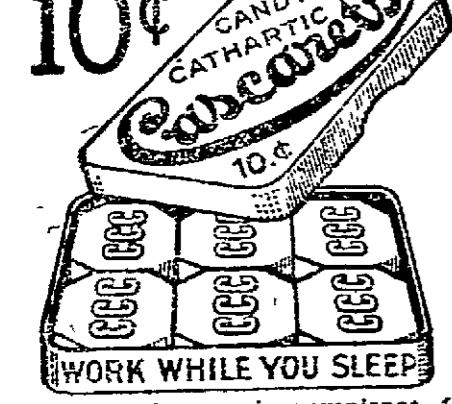
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Get a medium or large size bottle immediately from any drug store.

However, you wish first to taste this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghampton, N.Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure to mention this paper—adv.

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You can feel this take hold of a cough or cold in a way that means business. The cough may be dry, hoarse and tight, or may be persistently loose from the formation of phlegm. The cause is the same—inflamed mucous membranes and this Pinex and Syrup combination will stop it—usually in 24 hours or less. Splendid, too, for bronchial asthma, hoarseness, or any ordinary throat ailment.

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CLAIMS RUSSIAN CZAR IS ALIVE AND IN JAPAN**She Says He's Alive—Records Say He's Dead.**

MADAME EUGENIA GAEVESKY (LEFT) AND EX-CZAR NICHOLAS ROMANOFF

BY A. H. FREDERICK

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15.—Nicholas, czar of all the Russians, is alive—a prisoner in Japan of his own design.

Trenched behind garden walls and thick-foliated trees—using as protective camouflage the modesty of the house he has selected—the former ruler has found refuge in the interior of a little old, white-haired lady, who lives here teaching languages and acting interpreter to her fellow Russians, comes this report.

Story House's Interest

Her affirmative story has caused a ripple in international circles, and temporarily set aside sinister tales of butchery of the Romanoff royal family in the prison castle of Ekaterinburg, July 17, 1918.

Likewise it follows close on the heels of a counter narrative, supposedly issued by the Bolshevik government, to the effect that Nicholas is not only dead but his severed head is now a curiosity, preserved in alcohol, in a Russian museum.

But the czar's wife, Madame Gaevesky,

lives only as a man who shrouds himself in inconspicuousness, who shrinks from contact with the street, who is perhaps, a little queer, a bit feeble minded.

"But long before these people told that he had made his escape to Japan."

"In 1918, I first heard it directly from those who heard it from the dowager empress herself."

Whether a myth fathered by wish, or a true high light in historical romance, belief in the escape of the czar is held by many of the Russian refugees here, says Madame Gaevesky.

"Imperialists were busy during the days when the 'little father' and his family were prisoners of the soviet Red Guard, and carried back reports to their superiors, the chiefs of the plotters," she relates.

"Escaped by Ruse"

"One night as the imperial family sat with their meditations on what the future might hold, the door opened, and a small group of peasants entered. Peasants in dress but not deportment. With all the grace of the court, the saluted the czar."

"They told him of the plot. He was to escape in the dress of a peasant, while one of their number, very similar in face, figure and carriage to the czar, was to stay behind in his place to avoid pursuit."

"The czar demurred. He would not allow the sacrifice nor would he desert his family."

"The conspirators apparently were prepared for this, for without unnecessary disturbance, they forcibly garbed him in peasant attire and spirited him away."

"Only a few days later until the

**HAMILTON NAMED
VICE PRESIDENT**

(By the Associated Press)

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 14.—The board of directors of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, meeting here today, elected Walker V. Hamilton, of Knoxville, Tenn., a vice president to succeed M. J. Murphy, resigned. Mr. Hamilton has been general chairman of the trainmen on the Southern Railway for 20 years.

The board of trustees and the insurance board of the Brotherhood also were in session here today.

A gain of nine thousand members was made in 1923, bringing the total membership of the organization to 180,000. President W. G. Lee announced.

Sews at 104

FLORENCE, Italy.—Countess Donna Maddalena Doti is 104 years old. But her fingers still are nimble with needle and thread. She whites away many an hour making narrow bobbin lace, so fashionable in her girlhood. And she also attends to all her correspondence. Only one of her five children still lives. He is a son now more than 80.

Couldn't Have Been

"Did my wife speak at the meeting yesterday?"

"I don't know your wife, but there was a tall, fair lady who rose and said she could not find words to express her feelings."

"That wasn't my wife!" —Karinaturen (Christiania).

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GANGWAY FOR HOLLERDAYS

**Whee! Calendar Thinks
February Coming in
On Time**

News has reached here that February is due next month.

Preparation saves perspiration. Prepare or beware. Start wishing your friends a cloudy Groundhog Day. Get some rails ready to split on Lincoln's Birthday. Be making a list of enemies to send valentine cards. Quite shaving now and you will be disguised by St. Valentine's Day. Get ready for Longfellow Birth day: that is when the first spring poet sees his shadow.

But Feb. 22 will be the biggest hollerday. Then you will hear the bachelors holler.

WEATHER

Weather forecaster quit his job in Chicago, maybe because the climate didn't agree with him.

SPORTS

Kid Valentine, the wild movie shark of the sideburns, has hammered out a book of poetry which is a knockout. Kid swings and follows with a swift "we kiss the lips of the mate of our soul." Keep your peepers open for this bird. He is a good boy.

SOCIETY

What promises to be one of the most charming of the many delightful affairs scheduled for the coming beautiful spring social season is a rumored fight between Dempsey and Gibbons.

Both will wear close-fitting trunks. These trunks will come six feet from the floor at times and at other times may reach the floor.

ADVERTISING

Write for Tom Sims' Suggestions. This book will explain how to tell the truth on George Washington's Birthday without starting a fight. Clip this coupon and send stamps to cover postage. Send no address. The stamps are what we want.

We sell shadows for groundhogs to see. Get one for February 2.

FINANCIAL PAGE

"I will live until the whole world is dry," said Pussycat Johnson in New York. A man who can say that in New York must expect to make Methuselah's record look like a false start.

Two optimists who held up a Senior school teacher escaped.

EDITORIAL

Our attention has been called to the established fact that Mr. and Mrs. Sandusky have company from out of town this week. No telling how pleased we are to learn such. Mr. and Mrs. Sandusky will not fight before company. Think of the dishes they will save! That's what this country needs—more company.

HOME HELPS

Mistaking his landlord for a burglar, a Los Angeles man shot him.

HEALTH RINTS

While a St. Louis man who fell three stories will recover it is not a healthy habit.

DRESS DONT'S

Never put on new socks without taking off your old socks.

GRIFFIS IS AT THE END OF HIS ROPE

BY JOHN CLAYTON
(Chicago Tribune Service)

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—Corliss Hoover Griffis, an American serving a prison sentence in Moabitshu, Germany, for an attempt to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll and bring him to justice, has reached the end of his rope. This brave young American whom a German judge complimented so highly for his patriotic work while sentencing him to prison, does not have enough money to fight for a pardon. There is every reason to believe that an appeal for his pardon would be successful, but he must have funds for it.

Lieutenant Griffis has asked the Tribune to undertake the raising of a fund of at least \$4,000 to pay lawyers expenses already incurred and to fight for his pardon.

In a straightforward manly letter Lieutenant Griffis asserts that he will not be the object of charity. He does not appeal to anyone for help on a charitable basis. He believes that there will be many patriotic Americans who will be glad of an opportunity of serving their country in such a manner.

Lieutenant Griffis' estimate of his needs is the lowest possible figure, about \$5,000 would perhaps be nearer to a correct figure to land Lieutenant Griffis in New York City a free man. He will turn over every cent of his fund not actually required to some worthy charity for war veterans.

**COMEDIANS DECLARE MIRTH
NEEDS A FULL STOMACH**

MUNICH, Jan. 14.—Munich comedians have declared with great emphasis that they cannot be funny on 12 cents a month, and theatre-managers have taken steps to stabilize the salaries of actors and bring them into harmony with living costs. Aged actors who are on pensions from the government has been the worst sufferers.

More active members of the profession are rallying to the defense of these old-timers, and trying by various means to provide them with money in addition to the state pensions, which are often much delayed.

And Then Some!

"Mama," said the little boy, who had been sent to his towel before the fire, "is it done when it is brown?" Pearson's Weekly (London).

Oversight Features

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Serious earthquake again has visited Tokio. Wireless messages from Tomoku announce, and news is later confirmed from other sources.

Special committee of the Treasury of New York exonerates Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick of heresy charges but criticizes him for his sermon in 1922 called "Shall the Fundamentalists Win?"

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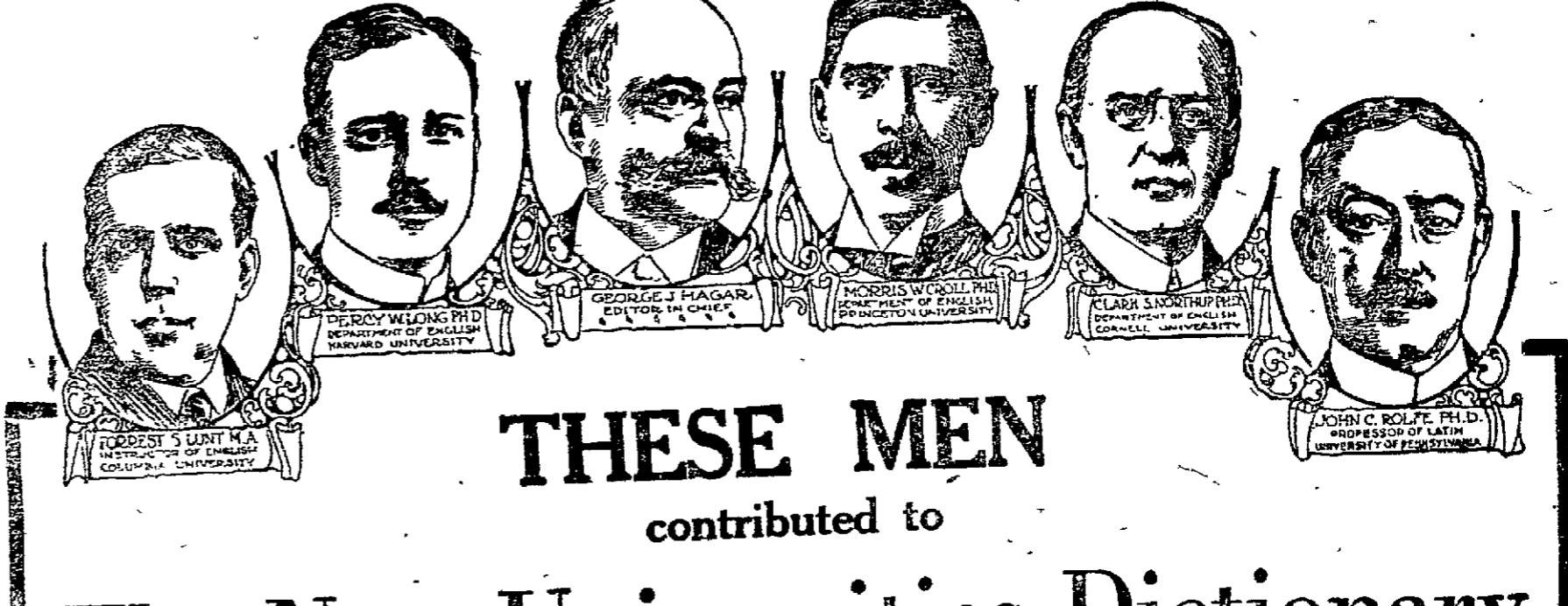
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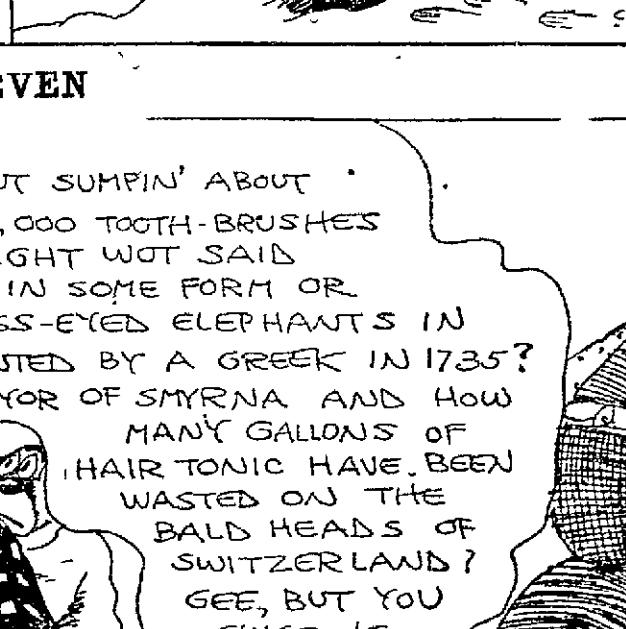
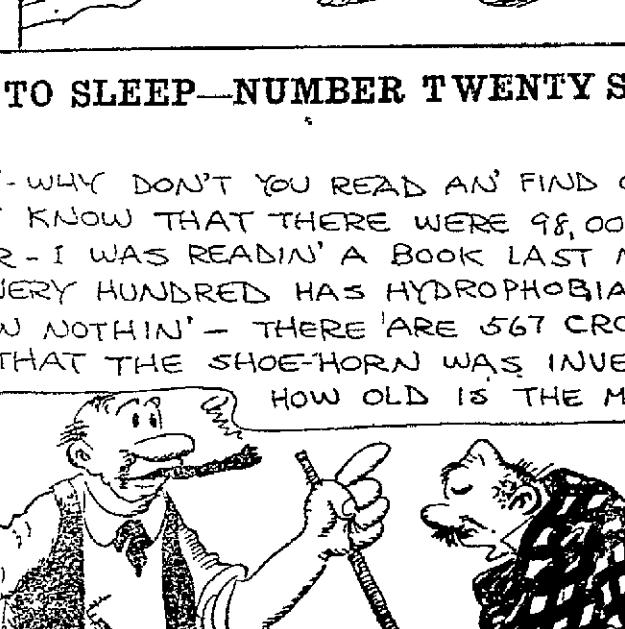
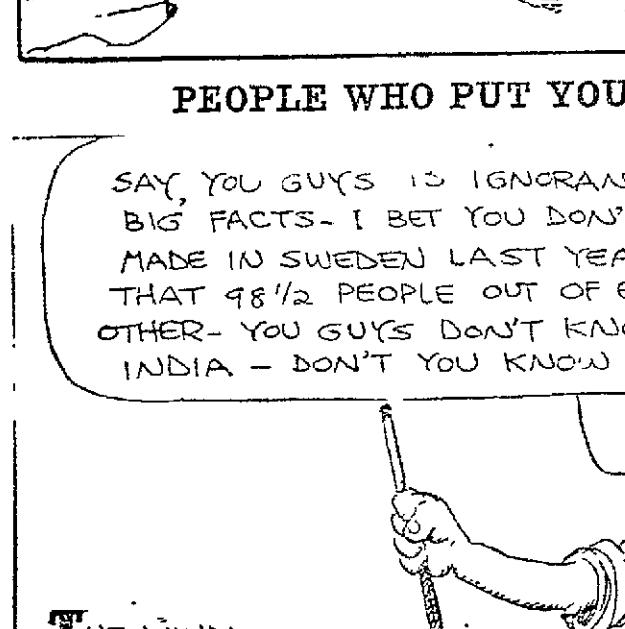
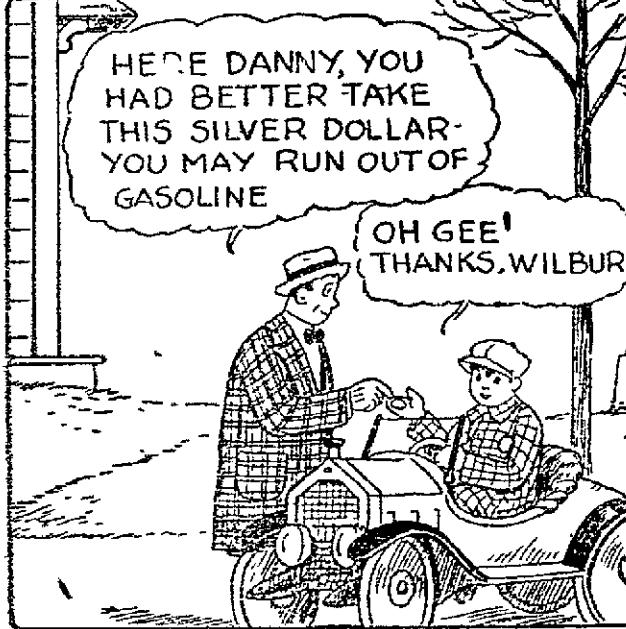
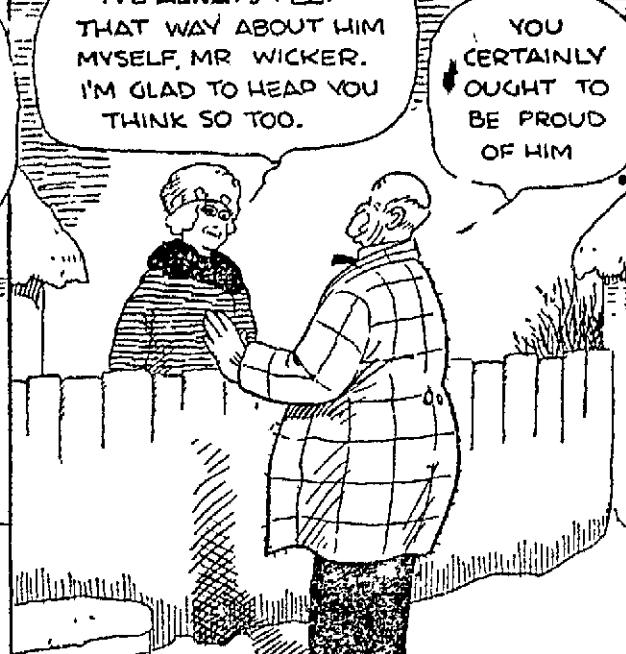
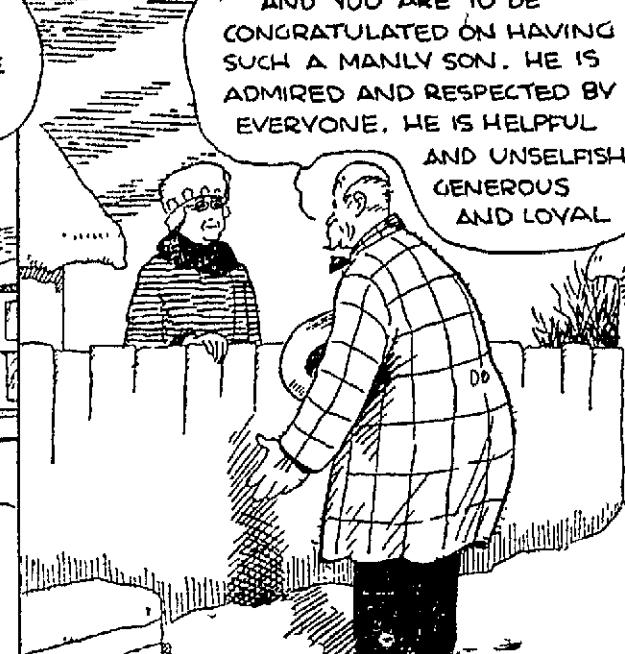
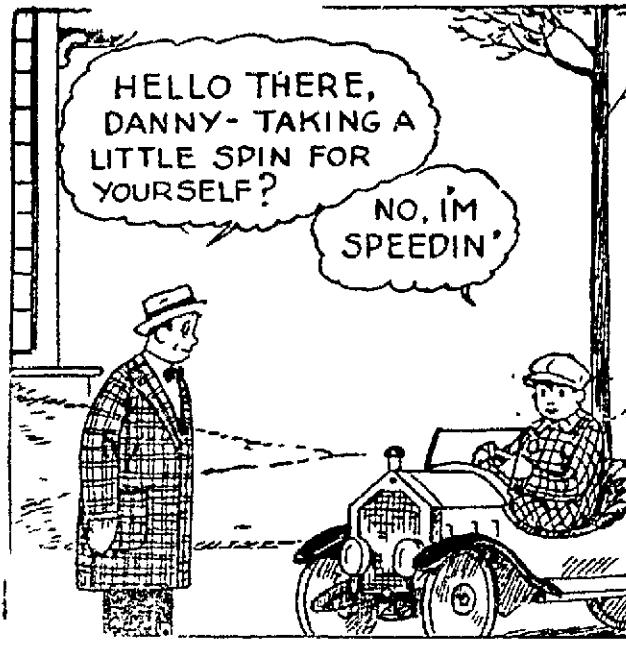
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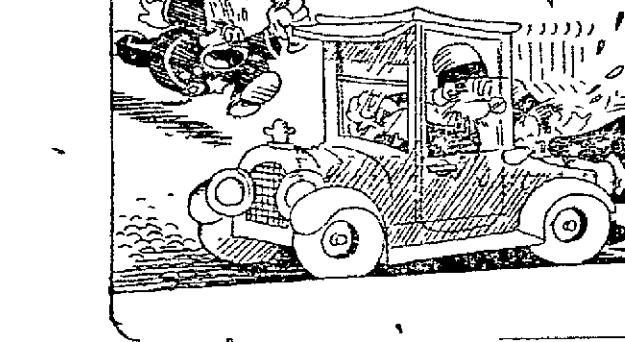
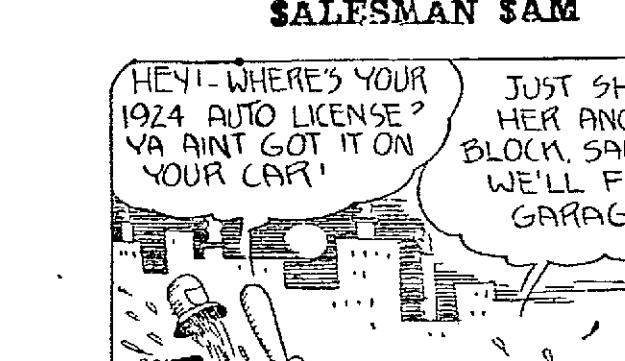
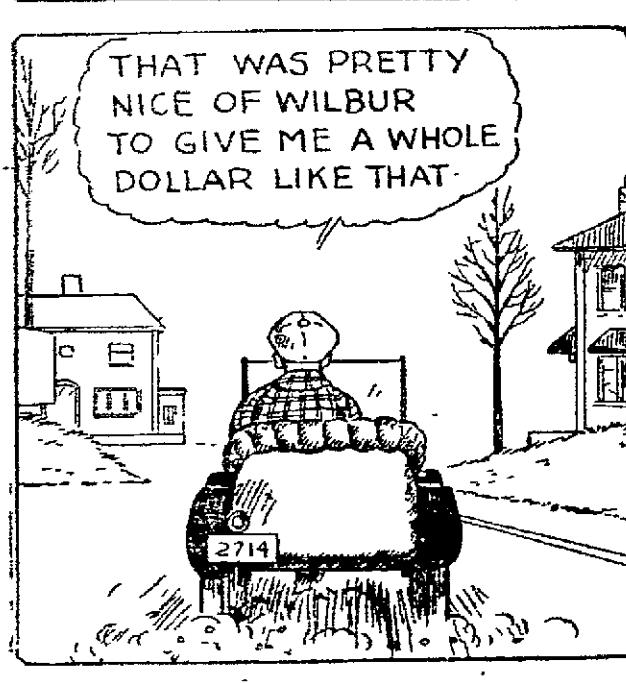
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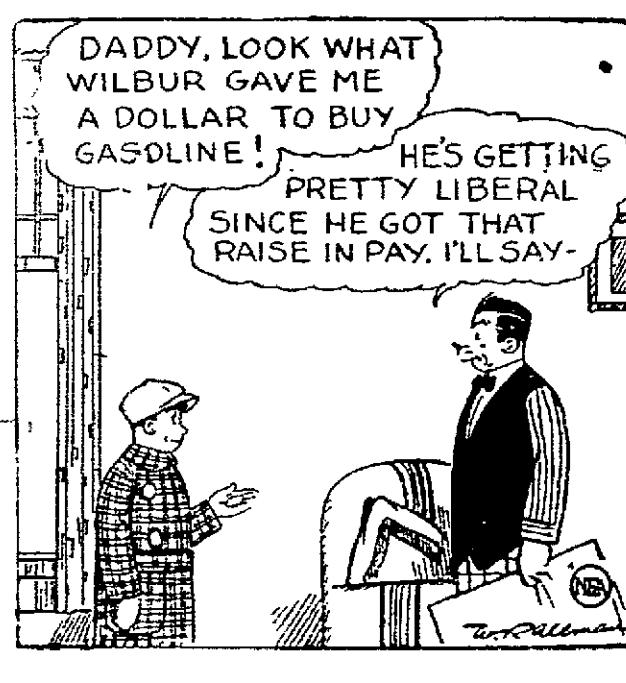
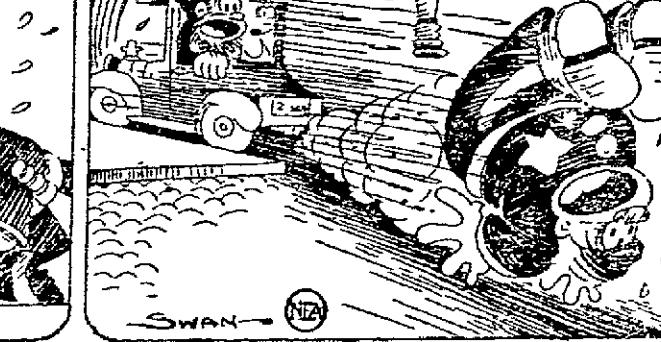
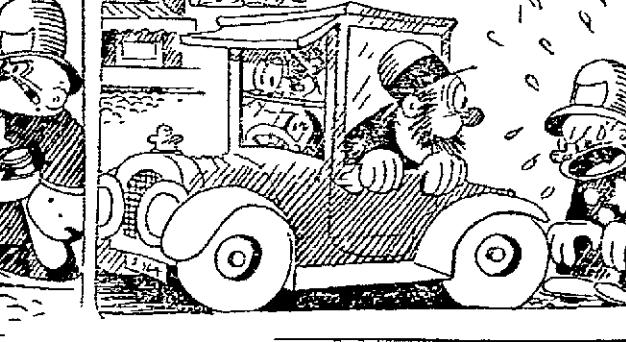
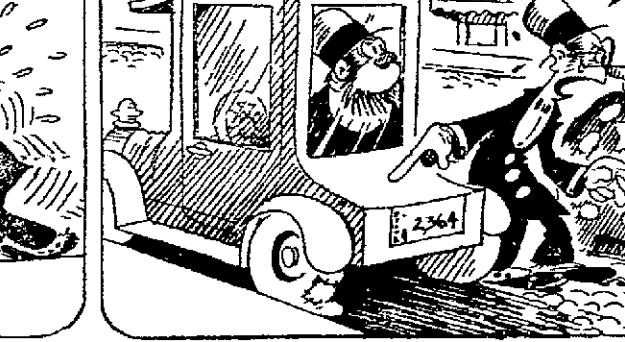
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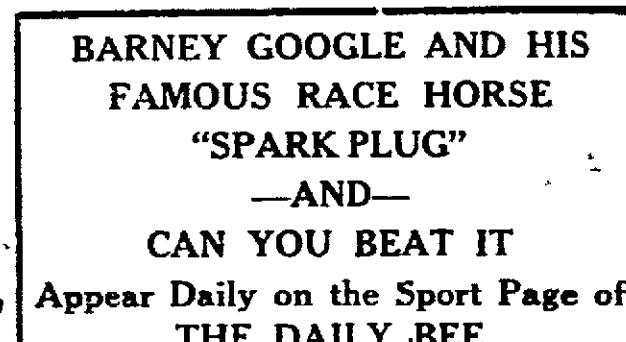


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MORNING STOCK LETTER

Thomson & McKinnon

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Do you think the fall of the franc had anything to do with the decline in the stock market "yesterday"? If so how would you explain the fact that the franc had been going down ever since the end of the year while the stock market was going up? It had no more to do with the decline in the stock market than the weather but it is an easy thing to talk about and to offer as an excuse.

I will tell you something that was hear-say but was not generally known. In Congress a combination of both parties voted to change the rules which makes it possible to kill the Mellon tax bill.

We are in a reactionary period in the stock market but not in a bear market. Prices later in the year will be very much higher than at the beginning but that won't prevent good many selling movements like you have right now and I would rather buy stocks during weakness.

MORNING COTTON LETTER.

(Thomson and McKinnon)

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—European disquietude and the drop in French money had a depressing influence on the cotton market. Statistics are bullish but what we need is a new crop of buyers. After such a continued decline market is entitled to a good reaction which is likely to materialize when least expected.

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TICKER TALK

Thomson & McKinnon

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Cotton consumption report at ten a. m.

Armour & Co. notes payable decreased by \$50,800,000 in six months ended December 31, to \$64,000,000. Cash decreased by \$31,173,129 to \$26,000,000.

Detroit Edison Co. December surplus after charges \$875,636 against \$394,294 in December 1922. Twelve months \$50,147,551 against \$3,259,121.

Western Union estimated net income for 1923 \$11,073,536 after charges and tax rates \$11.69 a share against \$11.19 in 1922.

Secretary Mellon states no change in rediscount rates is contemplated. Increase in ratios of federal reserve banks considered entirely seasonal.

Paris produce exchange suspends quotations of sugars oils, and cereals. French cabinet meets today to consider decline in francs.

Powell and Mexia crude oil advanced 5 cents a barrel to \$1.40.

Gasoline advanced one cent gallon in Pennsylvania and Delaware making tank wagon price 15 cents plus two cents tax.

Standard Oil of Louisiana advanced gasoline two cents to 14½ cents tank wagon.

Transit commission reports net operations surplus of \$1,549,174 for combined transportation lines of New York in year ended June 30 against deficit of more than \$2,000,000 in previous year.

House Democrats had radicals force repeal of Underwood rule limiting debate and amendments which Republicans fear may cause filibuster on tax bill.

National Biscuit net after tax year ended December 31, 1923, \$12,032,828 against \$11,024,930 in preceding year.

British Parliament opens. Vote of confidence in Baldwin government will be asked.

Dillon Returns to Chatham Home

(Special to The Bee)
CHATHAM, Va., Jan. 15.—The return here of Thomas Dillon from a visit to relatives in a distant state has definitely cleared up the current reports that the Chatham plumber might be the man giving the same name and who became a ward of the Columbia authorities while suffering from a form of mental aberration. Thomas Dillon of this place has returned from the visit and learned for the first time that friends solicitous of his welfare had been in communication with the Columbia police thinking that the man found there might be the Chatham man. A telephone description of the man at Columbia fitted well with that of Dillon but it was later found that he was not the man.

TAKE HEART.

(By Edna Dean Proctor.)
All day the storm has been blowing. From off the dark and rainy sea; No bird has past the window flown. The only song has been the moan. The wind made in the willow-tree.

This is the summer's burial time: She died when dropped the earliest leaves;

And, cold upon her rosy prime Fell direful autumn's frosty rime;

Yet I am not as one who grieves

For well I know o'er sunny seas The bluebird waits for April skies; And at the roots of forest trees The mayflowers sleep in fragrant ease.

And violets hide their azure eyes.

O thou, by winds of grief derelawn Beside some summer's golden bier Take heart! thy birds are only flown, Thy blossoms sleeping, tearful sown. To greet thee in the immortal year!

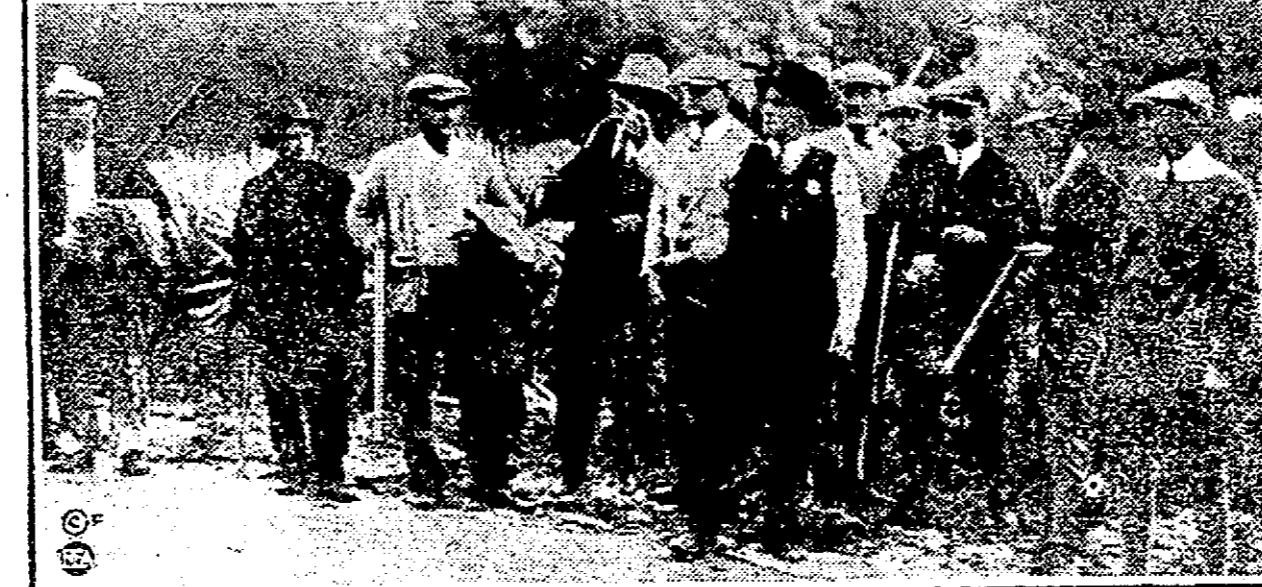
land." In some way, the negroes associate it with the camp meeting and revival songs that they sing. They begin to believe there is a land that is fairer than this, and the negroes come some colored paintings the picture of a land flowing with milk and honey right here on earth without the necessity of waiting for the hereafter. It is estimated that the poor deluded negroes of the South have sunk in the aggregate millions of hard earned dollars in the various schemes to transport them to Africa to other parts of Africa and to some golden tropic island in the never-never land. Frequently, the day of departure has been set by the fraudulent promoters and thousands of negroes, having given up homes and jobs and money have been left waiting at the depot.

The recent cold waves in the North and West have driven the recently migrated negroes home in large numbers. Many of those who went out of Georgia and Alabama were taken to Colorado. That was to be their Promised Land. But when the Chicago mercury tan days ago went sliding down to sixteen degrees below zero, the Promised Land became one of suffering and misery to the negroes who at home had always thought of a temperature of forty degrees above as a "sho nuff" cold wave.

The return of the negro is viewed with a great deal of satisfaction by the white people here in the Southeast. They say now that they knew the colored people would come back in time and they assert anew that, generally speaking, the exodus was not started by any bad treatment of the negro.

They say the movement was ninety per cent economic. Florida felt the exodus the least perhaps of any of the Southern states, for there was no upset in any particular line of industry.

EVERGLADES MAN-HUNT!



During an all-day gun-fight in the Everglades of Florida, Deputy Sheriff Fred Baker, leader of a posse, and John Ashley, leader of a bandit gang, were killed. Several others were wounded, and some members of the alleged gang captured. The Everglades bandits have terrorized citizens for years. Photo shows Sheriff Bob Baker, brother of the dead deputy, pointing to men of his posse the direction they should take.



While on the trail of the Florida Everglades bandits, a posse discovered a 50-gallon still which had been operated by the bandit gang that has terrorized citizens in that vicinity for years. Photo shows the posse destroyed the still—by fire.

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RABBITS I

Domesticated rabbits have been bred in America for years and exhibited at pet stock shows. However, it is well known that rabbit meat is fine as that of poultry, and raising rabbits for home consumption is a proposition for turning to account time, space and material which are only wasted.

The cost of starting a rabbitry depends on its size and on the price of materials. One can run two good does and a buck of breeding age enough to supply an average family with all the rabbit meat it would care to eat—for anywhere from \$1.50 to \$10 each. Hutches may vary in cost from a few cents each—the price of an empty dry goods box—to several dollars, if expended for dressed lumber.

The age at which rabbits may be bred varies according to the length of time required for them to attain full size. Flemish giants are usually bred at nine or ten months of age, New Zealand reds at seven or eight months, and Belgian hares at six or seven months.

The period of gestation is about 30 days. A few days before the young are expected the female hutch should be carefully cleaned and plenty of soft hay or straw placed in it. The doe will make her own nest. She should have extra feeds of warm rye to induce a good flow of milk. The young may be weaned when about six weeks old, after which they should be kept in one hutch until three or four months old, when the sexes should be separated.

When rabbits are raised exclusively for meat, five or six litters are usually raised in a year from one mature doe, but such intensive breeding should not be continued for more than two years. The number of young in a litter varies greatly. Litters of 10 or 12 occur, but these are too large for a doe to raise. Only six or seven of the best of the young should be saved.

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